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High Level Hyderabad Talks In City To-day

CHAUDHURY & BAKHLE TO REPORT TO SARDAR PATEL

Delhi Expert To Help Draft Provisional Instrument Of Accession

BOMBAY Oct. 28.

The future relationship between the Indian Dominion and Hyderabad State will, it is understood, be the main item on the agenda for tomorrow's high level conference convened by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in Bombay.

The relationship between India and Hyderabad after August 15, 1947, was governed by a one-year standstill agreement.

The standstill Agreement expires on Nov. 29, 1948, and a decision will have to be taken on the constitutional relationship between India and Hyderabad before the date of expiry of the agreement.

Any decision arrived at at this conference would be only to determine a provisional agreement as the final choice will have to be made by the people of Hyderabad themselves through their elected representatives in the State's Constituent Assembly.

LAIK ALI MINISTRY'S FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

The other points for tomorrow's discussion will include the financial commitments of the Mir Laik Ali Ministry, the strength of the Hyderabad State's armed forces and steps taken to restore normal conditions throughout the State.

A legal expert who has arrived from Delhi today will assist the conference in discussing the issues involved in drafting a provisional instrument of Accession.

CHAUDHURY AND BAKHLE TO REPORT

Major-General J. N. Chaudhury, Military Governor of Hyderabad, who is arriving in the city tomorrow, accompanied by other high officials of Hyderabad, will report to the conference on his recent tour of the districts. He will also give an account of the progress made in disbanding the Razakar organisation and other subversive elements.

The Military Governor will also give his views on the future set-up of the State's armed forces as also the distribution of Indian Union troops in the state.

On the civil side, the Chief Civil Administrator Mr. V. P. Baknle, who is also arriving in the city tomorrow, will apprise the conference of the measures taken to restore normal functioning of the State's administrative services, the food and cloth position, restoration of communications and transport.

Mr. Bakhle will place before the conference plans for bringing the system of distribution of cloth, food, and other essential commodities in the State in line with that obtaining in the adjoining provinces of Madras, C.P. and Bombay.

ACTION AGAINST RAZAKARS

The "U.P.I." adds:

The conference is also expected to determine Government's attitude towards those who directly or indirectly were involved in Hyderabad in conflict with the Indian Union and were responsible for loss of human life, damage to property, as also frittering away with the finances of Hyderabad.

The questions regarding the trial of Kasim Razvi and other Razakar ringleaders, policy towards other Razakars who acted as mere camp followers, as well as action against members of the Laik Ali Cabinet, the Hyderabad delegation to the U.N. and against the Hyderabad Agents in Britain and Pakistan who have refused to return or render accounts, will also be discussed, besides the Communist menace in the State.

The conference is expected to last two days.

SARDAR TO DISCUSS KOLHAPUR'S FUTURE

Maharaja Summoned To Bombay

BOMBAY, Thursday.

It is learnt Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Minister for States, will discuss, during his five-day stay in Bombay, the problems of the Kolhapur State. His Highness the Maharaja of Kolhapur, it is further learnt, has been summoned to Bombay by the Sardar for the purpose. The Maharaja is expected to arrive tomorrow morning when he would apprise Sardar Patel with his views on the present political situation in the State.

Mr V. Nanjappa, the Administrator of Kolhapur State, who is already in the City, will also be calling on the Acting Prime Minister.

The Bagal Ministry of the Kolhapur State, it may be recalled, was dismissed by the Maharaja on the advice of the Government of India's State Ministry following the outbreak of disturbances in the State on a large-scale after the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi and allegations about the complicity of the Ministry therein, and Mr Nanjappa was appointed by the States Ministry as the Administrator to take charge of the administration of the State.

The discussions on Kolhapur are expected to assume added significance as they follow the publication of the report of the Court of Inquiry appointed by the Maharaja under the chairmanship of Mr. Justice N. H. Coyaji of the Bombay High Court to investigate the allegations against the Begal Ministry, which was virtually blamed for the Kolhapur riots.

RIAF TO GET JET BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (UPI): The Royal Indian Air Force will soon have the most modern type of British jet planes. These are jet-propelled, interceptor-bomber, De Havilland and 'Vampires'.

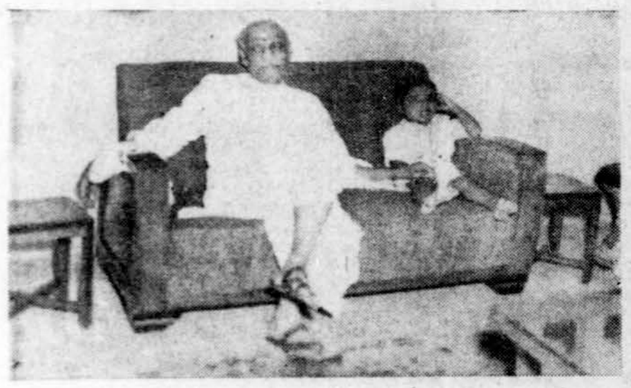
The planes are expected to arrive in India next week.

R. I. A. F. pilots are being trained to handle these planes.

PATTABHI TO REACH DELHI TODAY

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (UPI): Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, President-elect of the Congress, is due to arrive at the Willingdon air port at 4 p.m. on Friday (October 29) by the Deccan Air-ways from Madras.

SARDAR PATEL IN CITY



Sardar Patel at his residence in city with his grandson shortly after his arrival from New Delhi.

SARDAR PATEL TO ADDRESS MEETING AT CHAUPATTY TOMORROW

From the Congress House:—Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Acting Prime Minister of the Government of India, will address a public meeting under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee tomorrow (Saturday) at 6 p.m. sharp at the Chaupatty Sands. This being the eve of Sardar's 74th birthday, he will be felicitated on behalf of the citizens of Bombay.

Very elaborate arrangements have been made at Chaupatty to enable a vast gathering to hear Sardar's speech. The audience of ladies will be accommodated in a special panel on the Marine Drive end of the sands. This has been done in view of the experience of the last meeting which was addressed by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

PRESS AND GUESTS

Utmost precaution is being taken to have adequate and efficient loud speaker arrangements. Enclosures to the galleries—reserved for 'press' and 'guests' will be by special passes issued by the Congress House.

Commercial establishments are hereby requested to close their business a few hours early to enable a large number of their employees to take part in this public function.

Volunteers should report themselves for duty at 3-30 p.m.

We earnestly appeal to the citizens to maintain peace and discipline and make this function of felicitation to our beloved Leader a unique success.

CALL TO VOLUNTEERS

The GOC of the Congress Seva Dal writes:—

All volunteers of the Congress Seva Dal and volunteers of the other pro-Congress Volunteer Corps should be present at 3-30 p.m. tomorrow (Saturday) at Chaupatty to make arrangements and to keep order at the Public Reception to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on the eve of his birthday and at 7 a.m. on Sunday, the 31st inst. at Gandhi Maidan Marine Drive (behind Hem Prabha Building) to pay our respects on his birthday.

INDIA'S SEA—AIR EXERCISES

HMIS Delhi Participates

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API): Yesterday morning saw the commencement of sea-air exercises between a squadron of the Royal Indian Navy and planes of the Royal Air Force based in Ceylon.

India's new cruiser, HMIS Delhi escorted by the sloops HMIS Kistna and HMIS Cauvery was steaming towards Trincomale to "attack" the great naval base when it was spotted at 8 a.m. by a Sunderland flying boat of the RAF which immediately wirelessed the information to base and kept shadowing the naval force. In response to the Sunderlands message three beaufighters took off from base and soon appeared on the scene beamed in by the flying boat. Fighter bombers made repeated "attacks" on the "Delhi" and the two accompanying sloops which were forming an anti-submarine screen on either side of the cruiser.

TAX EVASION INQUIRY

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 28.

It is authentically learnt that the enquiry about war wealth and tax evasion is likely to be completed before the end of this month. Most of the replies to the questionnaires to Limited concerns and unlimited concerns demanding details about incomes earned, production, sales and other relevent matters have been received by the commission and it will begin its tour over the country in December to record oral evidence. The Commission is expected here in the middle of December. It is also stated that officers on special duty have been asked to submit their interim reports latest by the end of November.

SARDAR'S ARRIVAL

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Press Report Contradicted

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API): There is no foundation for the newspaper report issued earlier this month from Cairo that India intends to export 20,000 tons of raw jute to Egypt in return for 20,000 tons of rice, says a press note issued by the Commerce Ministry.

NEHRU SPENDS BUSY DAY IN PARIS

India's Prime Minister Meets World Statesmen

PARIS, Oct. 28 (Reuter): India's Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, had a heavy programme of engagements here today.

His personal programme is so heavy that only a limited time is available for the numerous social functions of the United Nations for which he is in demand.

This morning Pandit Nehru had talks with Indian residents in Paris. He lunched with Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and had an early evening talk with Mr. John Foster Dulles, United States Republican party adviser on Foreign Affairs.

Later this evening Pandit Nehru was expected to attend a reception given in the Pakistan Prime Minister Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan's honour by Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, Foreign Minister.

Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan of Pakistan had a 90-minute private talk here today with Mr. George Marshall.

Earlier he had conferred privately with the Belgian Prime Minister, M. Henry Spaak, and his afternoon engagements included a meeting with the French Foreign Minister, M. Henri Queuille.

The completely private nature of the talks of Prime Minister Nehru and Prime Minister Liaquat Ali with world statesmen is underlined in all official quarters here. Both are availing themselves to the utmost of the opportunity afforded by their weeks' stay in Paris to make personal contact with international leaders.

Mr. Liaquat Ali and Begum Liaquat Ali are staying at the Ritz Hotel, in the fashionable place Vendome, about a quarter of a mile from Pandit Nehru's headquarters, the George the Fifth Hotel.

His fellow guests at the Ritz include the Duke and Duchess of Windsor and the Aga Khan, who was been indisposed and whom the Pakistan Prime Minister will visit tomorrow.

'No Help To India Without Link With British Crown'

CHURCHILL'S ATTACK ON NEHRU GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter): Britain should not, on her own responsibility, defend any part of India against external attack unless a link was preserved with the British crown, ex-Premier Winston Churchill declared in the House of Commons today.

In a debate on the King's speech he said: "We could not make ourselves responsible for the defence of any part of India against external attack otherwise than as part of our duty to the United Nations, unless a link is preserved with the British Crown and unless they form part of the British Commonwealth, or unless treaties of alliance are made such as we make with other foreign countries for our own security.

MORRISON'S CHALLENGE

Challenged by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, whether he would have kept India down at the point of the sword, Mr. Churchill replied that 30,000 or 40,000 British troops could have been stationed in India, and without any bloodshed could have maintained peace and order during the years required to build up a "really strong and effective Indian administration and to transfer the necessary powers of government to them."

After referring to the "awful tragedy" of "400,000 men and women slaughtered in the Punjab alone", he said it was strange that British parliament should be able to watch with "detachment, cool composure and short memory this frightful holocaust for which the majority in this House and the Ministers in power bear so grave and intimate responsibility."

"We can only be thankful that no such catastrophe, or anything which approached onetwentieth part of its magnitude, fell upon the helpless Indian people during the long years when they dwelt in peace and safety under British raj and the Imperial Crown and under the constant, vigilant and humane supervision of House of Commons."

This caused uproar on the government benches and there were shouts of "Amritsar" and "what about the famine for which the Tory government was responsible?

Mr. Churchill retorted: "It is not famine I am talking about but bloody violence. We do not know what famines will occur in the future.

The massacre was not the end or even the end of the beginning. India a sub-continent, which for nearly 100 years had been free from bloodshed than any other part of the earth's expanse, was facing problems "loaded with immeasurable terror and complexity."

Hitherto, she has been protected from foreign aggression by the strong shield of our island power, our policy and influence among the nations, our modest military forces and latent strength and that of the empire: of course, the royal navy has protected India from foreign invasion. Now this protection can no longer be given."

There was always the United Nations, but that was still struggling for life and torn with dissention.

TREAT INDIA WELL

Britain's imperial mission in India was at an end. That must be recognised. Some day world opinion would do justice to the British record there. But the chapter was closed. "The moving finger writes and having writ moves on."

"It is our duty, whatever part we have played in the past, to hope and pray for the well-being and happiness of all the peoples of India, of whatever race, religion, social condition, or historic character they may be.

"We must wish them all well and do what we can to help them on their own. Sorrow may lie in our hearts, but bitterness and malice must be uprooted from them.

"In our future more remote relations with India, we must rise above all prejudice and partiality and not allow our vision to be clouded by memories of the glories that are gone for ever.

"For these reasons and in accordance with such principles, and not from any preference for Muslims or Hindus, I have deplored and condemned the violent arbitrary act of aggression, without any plebiscite, which has engulfed Hyderabad. I deplore the attempt now being made to incorporate against their wishes the Muslim population of Kashmir under a Hindu regime. Other cases may arise in the future."

Turning to constitutional questions of the Commonwealth, Mr. Churchill criticised the British Government for dropping the word "British" from the conception of Commonwealth. "Ministers have no right to put into the King's speech words contrary to facts and constitutional position", he said.

GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND COLLECTIONS

BOMBAY, Oct. 28 (UPI)—Total collections received in the office of the Gandhi National Memorial Fund, Bombay up-to-date is Rs. 13,23,011-14-7.

STALIN'S FAITH IN "FORCES OF PEACE"

Says They Will Succeed In Averting World War

CHURCHILL & PUPILS ACCUSED OF WAR-MONGERING: ANGLO-U. S. BREACH OF AGREEMENTS ON BERLIN

MOSCOW, Oct. 28 (Reuter):—Premier Joseph Stalin declared today his belief that the "forces of peace" would succeed in averting another world war.

The "horrors of the recent war are too alive in the minds of the peoples, and the social forces in favour of peace are too great for Churchill's pupils in aggression to be able to overcome them and deflect them towards a new war", he said in an interview with 'Pravda', the Communist party newspaper.

M. Stalin, who is 69, was making his first important public pronouncement since his personal reply to an open letter from Mr. Henry Wallace last May.

Stalin attacked Mr. Winstan Churchill as "the Chief Instigator of War."

His answers to the 'Pravda' correspondent's questions were:—

Question: "What is your opinion of the results of the discussion by the Security Council of the Berlin situation and the behaviour of the Anglo-American representatives in this matter?

Reply: "I regard them as a manifestation of the aggressiveness of the policy of the Anglo-American and French ruling circles."

ANGLO-U.S. VIOLATION OF MOSCOW AGREEMENT ON BERLIN

Question: "Is it true that in August this year, an agreement was reached between the four powers on the Berlin question?

Reply: Yes, it is true. As is known, on August 30 this year, agreement was reached in Moscow between the representatives of the USSR, the United States of America, Britain and France on the simultaneous carrying out of measures for the removal of communication restrictions, on the one hand, and the introduction in Berlin of the German mark of the Soviet Zone as the sole currency, on the other.

This agreement does not infringe upon anyone's prestige; it takes account of the interests of the parties to it and guarantees the possibility of further co-operation. But the Governments of the United States of America and Britain disavowed their representatives in Moscow and declared that this agreement null and void. They violated it, deciding to put the question before the Security Council where the British and Americans have an assured majority.

ANOTHER BERLIN AGREEMENT SCRAPPED

Question: Is it true that recently in Paris, when the question was being discussed in the Security Council, agreement was again reached in unofficial talks on the situation in Berlin before it was voted on in the Security Council?

Reply: Yes, it is true.

The representative of Argentine, Dr. Bramuglia, the Chairman of the Security Council, who had unofficial talks with M. Vyshinsky on behalf of other interested powers, did, indeed, have in hand an agreed draft solution of the situation in Berlin. But the representatives of the USA and Britain again declared this agreement null aid void.

Question: What is the fact of the matter? Can it not be explained?

Reply: The conspirers of the aggressive policy of the United States of America and Britain do not consider themselves interested in agreement and co-operation with the USSR. They do not want agreement and co-operation but talk about agreement and co-operation, in order to thwart agreement to, throw the blace on the USSR and by so doing, prove the impossibility of co-operation with the USSR.

INSTIGATORS OF WAR BUSY

The instigators of war, who are striving to unleash a new war, fear more than anything else agreement and co-operation with the USSR, as the policy of agreement with the USSR undermines the positions of the warmongers and deprives the aggressive policy of these gentlemen of its objective.

For this reason they disrupt agreements already reached, disavow their representatives who have reached such agreements with the USSR, transferred the question, in violation of the United Nations Charter, to the Security Council where they possess a guaranteed majority and where they can "prove" anything.

All this is done to demonstrate the impossibility of co-operating with the USSR, to demonstrate the necessity of a new war and thus prepare the conditions for the unleashing of a new war.

ANGLO-U.S. POLICY OF AGGRESSION

The policy of the present leaders of the United States and Britain is a policy of aggression and the unleashing of a new war.

Question: How do you appraise the actions of the six states in the Security Council, China, Canada, Belgium, the Argentine, Columbia and Syria?

Answer: Obviously, all these gentlemen support a policy of aggression, a policy of unleashing a new war.

Question: How can all this end?

Answer: It can end only with the disgraceful downfall of the instigators of a new war.

CHURCHILL CHIEF INSTIGATOR OF WAR

Churchill, the Chief Instigator of a New War, has already succeeded in depriving himself of the confidence of his nation and the democratic forces of the whole world.

The same fate awaits all other instigators of war.

The horrors of the recent war are too live in the minds of the people and the public forces in favour of peace are too great for Churchill's pupils in aggression to be able to overcome them and to deflect them towards a new war.

Stalin's 'Attack' Creates New Tension In U.N.

PARIS, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—Marshal Stalin's violent attack on the "aggression of political leaders in Britain and

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M. R. YARDI
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Old Custom House, Fort.
Bombay, 27th October, 1948.

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No refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the Controller of Stores' Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Controller of Stores' room by the tenderer or his representatives. Tenderers representatives may present themselves at the time of opening of the tender in the room of Deputy Controller of Stores.

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THE SYNDICATE of the University of Bombay hereby invite applications for the appointment of two lecturers—one for the year 1947-48 and the other for the year 1948-49. Each lecturer will be required to deliver in Bombay a course of about six lectures on a subject connected with Gujarati Literature or the History of Gujarat at such time as the Syndicate may appoint. The Honorarium for a whole course of lectures is Rs. 1,000/-. No travelling or other allowances will be paid. Applications giving full details regarding academic attainments and other qualifications of the candidates should reach the Registrar, University of Bombay not later than the 25th November, 1948.

By order,
S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.
Bombay, 23rd October, 1948.

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TENDER NOTICE

THERE ARE LARGE STOCKS of Canteen Stores, Fountain Pens, Toilet Articles, cosmetics, hosiery and knitting wool available for sale in the Government Grocery Shop near Churchgate Station. Tenders are invited before 4 P.M. on 6th November for their purchase and removal. Tender documents can be obtained from the undersigned who is not bound to accept the highest or any offer.

A. K. RAMAN,
Director of Civil Supplies
(Accounts)
New India Assurance Building,
Fort, Bombay.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEPARATE SEALED TENDERS in B2 form (item-rate) are invited for the following works.

		Estimated Amount Rs.
(1)	Constructing a Diesel Power station building at Islampur, Dist. Satara	46.102|-
(2)	Constructing a Switchgear room, C. I. Sheet latrine, masonry platform with a water stand post and a metal approach road 12' wide at Satara receiving sub-station	4,459|-
(3)	Constructing a Switchgear Room, C. I. Sheet latrine, (one seated) & a masonry platform with a water stand post at Bulsar receiving station. Taluka Bulsar, District Surat	3,663|-

These will be received in the office of the undersigned upto 3 p m. on 15th November 1948. They will be opened publicly at 11 a.m. on 16th November 1948 in the presence of those tenderers who desire to be present. A sum of Rs. 461, 45, and 37 respectively should be paid in the Government Treasury on account of earnest money. The receipted challan and bank reference on solvency certificate should be attached to respective Tender papers. Tenders not accompanied by these will not be considered.

2. Detailed plans and specifications and conditions of contract can be seen in the office of the undersigned on any working day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on week days and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays upto 12-11-1948.

3. Tenders should be on the prescribed form which along with copies of plans, specifications etc. can be had from this office on payment of Rs. five for Islampur and Rs. two each for Satara and Bulsar works.

4 The Electrical Commissioner reserves the right of rejoicing any or all tenders without giving any reasons and does not bind himself to accept the lowest tender.

K. P. BATTIWALA,
Executive Engineer (Civil)
for Electrical Commissioner
with the Goverment of Bombay.
Electric Grid Offices,
Foreshore Road,
Bombay 1,
15-10-1948.

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COOPER ENGINEERING LIMITED

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at 'Construction House', Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 19th November, 1948, at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.) for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th June 1948 and to declare dividend on old ordinary shares.
2. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation and who are eligible for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED as from FRIDAY, the 19th November, 1948 to SATURDAY, the 27th November, 1948, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board,
B. D. SARDESAI
Secretary.

Construction House,
Ballard Estate,
Bombay 19th October, 1948.

NOTE:— The dividend, if sanctioned, will be paid at the Company's Registered Office at Construction House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on and from Monday the 20th December, 1948, to those shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on Saturday the 27th November, 1948.

To the Shareholders of the above Company and more particularly to:—

Mrs. Hiralaxmi Manilal.

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UNITED STATE OF SAURASHTRA (DISPOSALS)

Tenders are invited for the purchase and removal of the following Stores located at JAMNAGAR.

No.	Description of Stores.	Approx. Quantity. Cases
1.	Rinso Soap Powder	8,052
2.	Ceylon Tea Dust First Quality	1,000
3.	Crape Sole Rubber ... 4,000 Lbs.	25
4.	Bata Sandle	1,980
5.	Luce's Eau-De-Cologne perfumed spirits	46
6.	Essences	1,289
7.	Washing Blue	11

Last Date of Tenders 5 p.m. on 25th November 1948.

Public opening of Tenders 11 a.m. on 29th November 1948.

Offers to remain open till...14th December 1948. Tenders should be accompanied by a deposit equal to 10 per cent of the total price offered.

Tender Form giving details and terms conditions of sale with permit to view at site can be obtained from the Collector, Halar District, Jamnagar on payment of Rs. 5/- per set in cash/money order/postal order.

M. S. JAYKER
Collector, Halar District

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NOTICE

(1) Higher grade fully qualified NURSING SISTERS. Salary in the grade Rs. 125-10-165|-. Rs. 50|- per annum Uniform allowance.

(2) Higher grade fully qualified STAFF NURSES (female). Salary in the grade Rs. 80-10-120|-. Rs. 30|- per annum Uniform allowance.

(3) STUDENT NURSES (female). Minimum qualification Passed Matriculate or Senior Cambridge. Salary Rs. 15|- on four months' probation. From the fifth month in the grade Rs. 35-3-80|- subject to passing the examination. Rs. 30|- per annum Uniform allowance

(4) Candidates, who have passed General Nursing required for Midwifery at Rs. 35|- per mensum. Allowance same as Student Nurses.

Free board and lodging for all plus other allowances.

Apply to the ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL (Employments), THE TATA IRON AND STEEL CO. LTD., JAMSHEDPUR Last date 15-11-1948.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G.I.P. RAILWAY
SPECIAL NOTICE

IT IS NOTIFIED for the information of the public that Train No. 167 Down leaving Neral at 17 hours and reaching Matheran at 18-50 hours and train No. 166 Up leaving Matheran at 7-30 hours and reaching Neral at 9-15 hours will run daily upto the 10th November 1948 inclusive. In addition, from Saturday, the 30th October to Tuesday, the 2nd November, an additional train will leave Neral for Matheran at 12 hours.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Policy, bearing No. 10679 issued to late Mr. Chimandas Manghanmal having been reported to be in possession of Assandas s/o Ghanomal, who posed as the adopted son of the policyholder but in suit No. 127/1945 in the Court of F.O.S. Judge Hyd. Sind to which he was a party he gave up the contention of adoption and policy-holder never adopted him. Now he is not giving the policy to Mrs. Gianibai the wife of the deceased—the real owner of the Policy-money and the policy. It is let known to the public that no body should deal with Mr. Assandas on the strength of this policy. If any body does, it is at his risk. The Company will not be responsible for the same. If any body has got any objection it should be lodged with us within a month from the date of this notice.

K. Y. JOSHI,
Manager.
Western India Life Insurance Co. Ltd., Satara.

Dated 27-10-48.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JOSEPH ANGELO DE SILVA of Bombay Christian inhabitant has contracted for the absolute sale to me of the undermentioned property. All persons, therefore, having or claiming any right, title or interest, in or to the said property or any part thereof, whether by way of inheritance, bequest, trust, possession, gift, sale, mortgage charge, lien, lease or othewise howsoever, are hereby required to make such claims known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from this date, otherwise the said sale will be completed without any reference to any such claims, and all such claims, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece of vacant Khoti land, abutting on the 57" Tansa Main, situate near the Village of Vakola, Santa Cruz, admeasuring 500 Sq. yds. and being part of land registered by the Collector, Bombay Suburban District, bearing New Hissa Nos. 9 and 10 part of Survey No. 359 and bounded, on the East and North by the land of the Vendor, on the West by 57" Tansa Main, and on the South by the land of A. P. Shenoy.

Dated 22nd day of October, 1948.

COSMOS EDWARD LOBO
Purchaser.

Nagree Terrace,
1st Hasanabad, Santa Cruz.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
I. C. No. 46 of 1948

In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913, and

In the matter of the PRIMROSE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL CORPORATION LIMITED and Reduced.

PRIMROSE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL CORPORATION, Limited and Reduced. .....Petitioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, dated the 26th day of June, 1948, confirming the reduction of the Capital of the abovenamed Company from Rs. 5,00,000/- to Rs. 56,000/- and the minute approved by this Honourable Court, showing with respect to the Capital of the abovenamed Company as altered the several particulars required by the above Act, was registered by the Registrar of Companies, Bombay on the 26th day of October 1948. The said minute is in the words and figures following:

"The Capital of Primrose Industrial and Commercial Corporation Ltd. was by virtue of a Special Resolution and with the sanction of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay dated the 25th day of June 1948 reduced from the former Capital of Rs. 5,00,000/- divided into 500 shares of Rs. 1,000/- each to Rs. 56,000/- divided into 500 shares of Rs. 112/- each. At the date of registration of this minute 450 of the said shares of Rs. 1000/- each No. 1 to 450 inclusive were issued and were partly paid-up and the remaining 50 shares of Rs. 1000/- each were unissued.

Dated this 28th day of October, 1948.

H. M. SHAMBHU,
For M/s. Ambubhai & Diwanji,
Attorneys for the Petitioner Company.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that that Mr. CAETANI MANOEL DESOUZA has contracted to sell to a client of ours the immoveable property at Koliwada, Worli, admeasuring 414 square yards and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 314 of Worli Division and Municipal "G" Ward Nos. 517 (1) and 517 (2) and Street Nos. 122-H and 122-I.

ALL persons having any claim against the said property are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be complted without reference to any such claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

Dated this 27th day of Oct. 1948.

M. N. MANKAR & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MOHAMAD SHAFFI HAJI ALIMOHAMAD of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant, has contracted to sell the following property to our client free from all incumbrances.

All persons having any right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever in, to, against or in respect of the said property or any part thereof, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 24-26, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any reference thereto and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

ALL that piece or parcel of Fazandari land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon and situate at Old Nagpada Road without the Fort of Bombay in the City and Island of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 238 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 3084 and Cadastral Survey No. 1486 of Mandvi Division and asssesed by the Bombay Municipality under B Ward Nos. 3206-07, Street Nos. 116-118, 64A and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the North by Sweepers' passage, on or towards the South by the said Old Nagpada Road, on or towards the East by the property of Rahimtullah Abdull Rahim and Abdulla Abdul Rahim and on or towards the West by the property of Kazi Abdul Karim bin Kazi Noor Mahomed.

Dated the 28th day of Oct. 1948.

DADLA & CO.
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FAZLEHOOSEIN ABDUL KADER NAKHODA, MOHSINBHAI FAZALEHOOSEIN NAKHODA and NOORUDDIN FAZLEHOOSEIN NAKHODA, all of Bombay and Aden Dawoodi Bohra Muslim Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within fourteen days. In default, the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and the sale completed.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All those pieces or parcels of vacant land or ground, situate at Ghodbunder Road (formerly known as Khar Road) and Turner Road, Bandra South Salsette Taluka in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra, in the Bombay Suburban District, containing by admeasurement 4229 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue as under:

Survey No.	Hissa No.	Area
235A	2	3514 square yards
235A	2	715 " "
		4219

and bounded on the EAST by Turner Road, NORTH by the properties of the Trustees of the late Sir Ratan J. Tata, WEST by the properties partly of Gopikabai Atmaram Manker, Mugatlal J. Bhat, Narayan Chaubal, Vinayak Phanse, Chawls of Mohile and Ghodbunder Road and on the South by the property bearing Survey No. 261B.

Dated this 27th day of Oct. 1948.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal St., Fort, Bombay.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 2 BALES MULLS, No. 3737, Superfine, Vikram Mill. 48" width, each of 75 Pieces, each piece of 20 yards, on Friday the 29th inst. (today) at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at Champa Gully, M. J. Market, Near Firebrigade, under instructions from Sheth Nichaldas Parasaram and on account and at the risk of Messrs. Baldevdas Hashanand (Vidya Bhuvan, Girgam) the defaulting purchasers.

Terms: 25 p.c. cash deposit.

GANDHI & CO.

AUCTION SALES

BOMBAY PORT TRUST RAILWAY
SALE NOTICE

Under sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railways Act No. IX of 1890, the Bombay Port Trust Railway will sell by Public Auction, through their Auctioneers, M|s. Mistry & Co., the undermentioned goods at their Grain Depot and Stores Depot Stations on Saturday, the 13th November, '48 at 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. respectively.

Only licensed dealers can bid for Controlled goods.

The highest bidders can bid for controlled goods will be required to obtain permits from the authorizing controllers to enable them to remove the goods from the Railway Premises. Certificates of sale of controlled goods will be given at the Auction by an officer of this Railway.

The goods bid for, must be removed within three days of sale, otherwise wharfage will be charged.

The Railway Adminstration reserves the right to withdraw any of the articles from the auction sale without previous notice. Town duty on dutiable goods will be recovered from the purchasers, on the spot, at Grain Depot Stores depot stations.

AT GRAIN DEPOT. (3 P.M.)

10. Bales F. P. Cotton.
35 bales wool.
8 E. I. barrels.
1 Bag long dall.
1 bag masoor
2 bags mowra seed.
1 Bag linseed.
1 bag G. N. seed.
1 bag castor seed.
1 bag sago flour.
3 bags oilcakes.
11 bags jeera seed.
28 bags dry chillies.
3 bags crushed bones.
58 bags mixed seed (sweepings).
3 Tins of ghee.
15 packages of casting tubing.
39 Packages telegraph stores.
30 Wooden sleepers.
1 Old wooden sleeper and 1 machinery part.
1 rail piece.
1 Wagon load of lime.
11 Old scrap brass fittings.
2 Pieces of machinery (jacks).
10½ Drums crude oil of 35 gils. c.c. each.
13 Barrels kerosene oil of 35 gils. c.c. each. (under condition of decanting into purchaser's own barrels).

AT STORES DEPOT (4 P.M.)

2 Wagons load of charcoal.

H. A. GAYDON,
Railway Manager.

Bombay, 21st October, 1948.

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Enquiries to join Study Circles are constantly pouring in. A fresh batch can only be started, if sufficient numbers are coming forward. Those who wish to join the fresh batch are requested to write to:-

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Hindu Ashwin Vad 12, 2004
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Sunrise 6-38 a.m. Sunset 18-07 p.m.
Hightide 09-30, 22-08, Lowtide 03-06, 15-52.

Today's Engagements

DASTURJI DR. M. N. DHALLA'S LECTURE: Today at 6-15 p.m. at Sir C. J. Hall on "A new orientation of rituals and prayers in the Sasanian Society", Dasturji D. S. Dabir will preside.

THE BOMBAY UNION OF JOURNALISTS: Reception to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at the Indian Merchants Chamber Hall, at 5 p.m. today, (Friday), and press conference thereafter. Admission by tickets which can be had from B.U.J. Club, Prospect Chambers Annexe.

BAL SHIKSHAN NAGAR CONCERT: A concert of vocal music by Gayanhira Mrs. Hirabai Barodekar at 9 p.m. in the Wilson College Hall. Tickets (Rs. 3) each can be had at the Bal Shikshan Nagar, Wilson College, between 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Public Study Class on 'Psychic Laws, Forces, and Phenomena' at 6-15 p.m. today at the United Lodge of Theosophists, Jehangir Wadia Bldg., Flora Fountain.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER: Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 21 (Byculla East) Delisle Rd., junction Garden Bridge today at 8-30 a.m. (S.T.) to go round the Ward. The residents of the Ward who have any difficulties to bring to light are invited to be present at the appointed place and time.

BALKAN-JI-BARI: All India Governing Council meeting, today at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) Premier's Chambers, Civil Secretariat, Fort, Bombay, Shri B. G. Kher presiding.

FREE HEALTH EXHIBITION: Under the auspices of "The Young Ismailia Brotherhood" at Diamond Jubilee Girls' High School, Bhendi Bazar Jn., Sandhurst Road (East), open to the public, between 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. (S.T.) from today to 3-11-1948.

"THIRTY YEARS OF LAND OF SOVIETS": PSU EXHBITION: The Secretary, Friends of Soviet Union writes:—The Soviet Exhibition, Thirty Years of the Land of Soviets, which was recently shown at Cama Hall, Fort, Bombay, with such phenomenal success, will open at the Podar College, Matunga, under the auspices of the Bombay Friends of the Soviet Union on October 29th and will remain open every day between 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. (and also 9 a.m. and 12 noon on Sundays and holidays) upto 7th November.

An interesting programme of Soviet educational and sports films has been arranged in the College Assembly Hall on October 30th and 31st and on November 23rd, 3rd, 5th and 7th at 9-30 p.m.

The exhibition will culminate with a public celebration in the Assembly Hall of the Soviet Revolution Day on November 7th at 8 p.m. and the programme will include speeches by prominent persons on the significance of the day followed by a film show.

BOMBAY ANDHRA MAHASABHA: Lecture today by V. R. Raghaviah, at 8-45 p.m. at Mahasabha Premises, Kuver Kunj, Dr. Ganti Road, Parsi Colony.

SHREE BHAGWATI NRATYAKALA MANDIRA: Shree Bhagwati Nratyakala Mandira will stage "Jalandhara", a mythological drama in Kannada, at Bhangwadi Theatre, Kalbadevi Road today at 8-30 p.m.

BOMBAY ART SOCIETY: Opening of the exhibition of paintings and drawings of S. U. Nayak and L. V. Shenvi at Bombay Art Society Salon at 6-15 p.m. today by Mr. Ivor S. Jehu.

KATHIAWAD PRAJAMANDAL: Meeting to congratulate Mr. Samaldas Gandhi and Mr. Chimanlal Shah at Madhav Baug at 6-15 p.m. today. Mr. K. M. Munshi presides.

BOMBAY FOR BOMBAYITES: Meeting of representative youths at Forbes Sabha Hall at 6 p.m. today. Prof. Dantwala, Prof. Gheewala and Mrs. Alva will address.

MADAME MONTESSORI'S LECTURE

Public lecture in English by Dr. Maria Montessori at the Blavatsky Lodge at 6 p.m. today.

BOMBAY SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS: Display of technical and scientific films at the BEST Conference hall at 6-30 p.m. today.

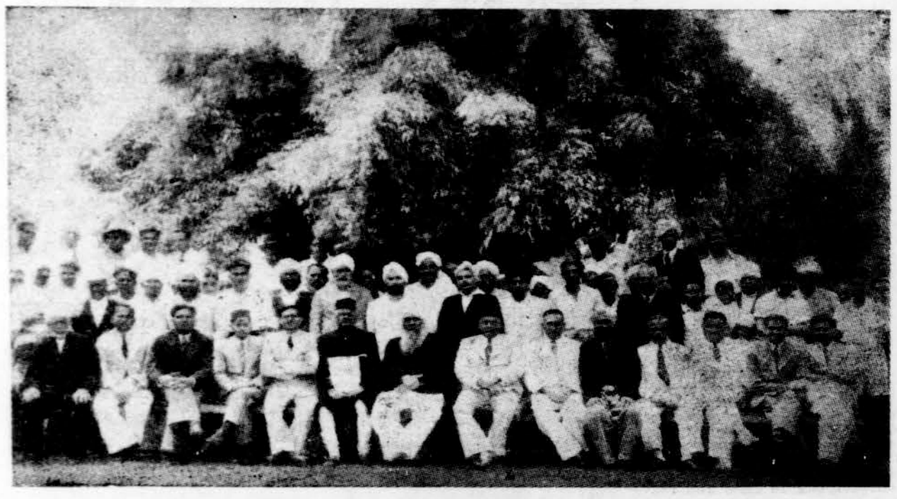
"C" WARD CONGRESS SEVA DAL: Second Training Camp to open tomorrow Saturday. Those desirous of joining should send application on forms to be had from the Dal Office, 431 Kalbadevi Road, between 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

KURLA GANDHI NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE: A general meeting of the citizens, Kurla, was held in Jamiyat Khana, Kurla for forming a Committee for Gandhi National Memorial Fund, and the following persons were elected as the office-bearers:—President: Mr. Vasantrao Sule, Vice-President Mr. Hanuman Sharanasinha, Abdullakhan Sogatkhan Mr. Soma Mathura Patel, Sha Raoji Kanji, Mr. Laxman Devji Kurlawalla, Mr. Sreikh Valimahomed Vazirmahomed, Mr. Brijlal Vithal Salunkhe, Secretaries: Mr. D. N. Raut, Mr. Paranjpe, Mr. M. N. Azmi, Mr. Abdul Valk Sidik, Treasurers: Mr. Bhikhabhai Patel, Mr. Hiralal Thakkar.

Twenty-eight ordinary members were selected with a right to co-opt other members.

MR. G. D. TAPASE

Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Industries, Fisheries and Backward Classes, will leave Poona for Phaltan tomorrow afternoon and return the same night.



Photograph taken on the occasion of a public reception to Mr. Waiz by the Sikh Community in Fiji held at Suva, with members of the Managing Committee after the reception

A view of the section of the gathering at Nadi airport which assembled to welcome Mr. Waiz

New Indian Commissioner In Fiji

HEARTY WELCOME ACCORDED TO MR. S. A. WAIZ

SUVA (Fiji):

Mr. S. A. Waiz, Indian Commissioner Fiji arrived at Nadi airport by air from Sydney on October 1.

Mr. Waiz was the recipient of an address of welcome at Suva at a large meeting held in the Lilac Cinema on Wednesday, October 6th. This address was signed by the members of the Legislative Council in Fiji but was given on behalf of the entire Indian community resident in the Fiji Islands.

Mr. Waiz has been touring the adjoining districts of Suva and has been overwhelmed by the hearty welcome accorded to him by the Indian residents, men, women and children.

Indian population are healthy, clean and doing well. Most of the trade is in the hands of Indian merchants and they are engaged in the major part of agricultural work on plantations and vegetable plots. Life in Suva is pleasant and quiet.

The "Fiji Times and Herald" wrote: "A procession of 250 motor cars arrived at Nadi Airport this morning before the arrival of the BCPA plane from Sydney with the new Commissioner for the Government of India in Fiji, Mr. S. A. Waiz.

The Commissioner was greeted by representatives from Lautoka, Sigatoka, Nadi, Ba, Tavua, Rakiraki and Suva.

He was met by Messrs. A. D. Patel, K. B. Singh, J. Madhavan, R. Narsey and Hari Charan.

After morning tea at Mr. Patel's house where he was met by Messrs. Vishnu Deo, Bidesi, Udrek Singh and Dr. C. M. Gopalan, Mr. Waiz went to the Nadi Hotel.

Alleged Attempt To Export Cotton To Basrah

Mohammed Hassan Darwesh was arrested by Crime Branch II on Wednesday for allegedly attempting to export twelve lbs. of cotton cloth from Bombay to Basrah by the S.S. "Dwarka."

He was produced before Mr. J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagon Court, today, when he was released on bail.

Radio

BOMBAY, Friday, Oct. 29.
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Rabab Par Ek Dhun By Shin Gul 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Gururao Deshpande 9-15 R. N. Paradkar (Vocal) 12-0 p.m. Programme for Women (G) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Jalsa 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Harry Parry's Radio Sextet 2-0 Bing Crosby 2-15 Harry Roy's Band 4-20 Sitar Par Bhimpalas By Azim Khan 4-40 S. M. Wakankar (Marathi Pad) 5-0 Shin Gul (Rabab solo) 5-15 Pramila Jadhav (Vocal) 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 R. N. Paradkar (Vocal) 6-30 Vali Mohammad (Gujarati Geeto) 6-50 Azim Khan (Sitar) 7-0 Topic of Day 7-10 Locals 7-15 Pramila Jadhav (Vocal) 7-30 Ya Mahinyatlya Ghadamodi (M) by G. G. Gadgil 7-45 Avinash 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Pramila Jadhav (Vocal) 8-40 For Universities 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Sazon Ki Zankar 10-15 Vali Mohammad (Gujarati Geeto) 10-30 Gururao Deshpande.

VARIATIONS.
44.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
7-40 a.m. Geetavali 5-45 p.m. S. M. Wakankar 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners.
61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)
7-45 p.m. Commercial News 8-0 R. N. Paradkar (Vocal) 8-15 S. M. Wakankar (Thumri) 9-0 Gururao Deshpande 10-15 American Sketch Book Compared by Lee Clarke

Radio Pushtu Broadcast From Radio Kashmir

A programme in Pushtu of 15 minutes duration has been started from Radio Kashmir, Srinagar, between 20 to 20-15 hours daily on 303.03 metres on the medium wave, from Thursday, the 21st October, 1948.

Shops Act Relaxation For Diwali

On account of the Divali festival, the Government of Bombay has suspended from October 30 to November 4, the provisions in the Bombay Shops, and Establishments Act relating to the hours of work and weekly holidays, on certain conditions, in respect of the following category of shops:

Sweetmeat shops; shops selling fireworks; flower shops; cloth shops including tailoring establishments; fruit shops; provision shops; shops selling perfumery; shops selling account books; jewellery shops; hair cutting saloons; shops selling leather goods; washing companies and shops dealing in brass, German silver and copper utensils.

For these six days, the shops described above will be allowed to remain open till 10 p.m. and the employees, if they are required to work for more than nine and half hours a day, should be paid overtime wages.

The period of work and intervals for rest for employees should be arranged in such a way that they should not be together spread over more than 16 hours, and the employees, if they lose the prescribed weekly holidays, should be granted either an equal number of holidays in exchange after November 4 or wages for the work done on such holidays at the rates prescribed for over-time work.

SALES TAX ACT AMENDMENT

The Bombay Sales Tax (Amendment) Act, 1948, which reduces the rate of sales tax on bullion and specie to one-fourth of one per cent, will come into force on November 1, 1948.

A. S. IYENGAR IN CITY

BOMBAY, Oct. 28 (API): Mr. A. S. Iyengar, Principal Information Officer to the Government of India, arrived in Bombay today.

M. R. PARANJPE MEMORIAL PRIZE

Applications are invited for the M. R. Paranjpe Memorial Prize of the value of Rs. 300. The object of the Prize is to reward original research in Education carried out by a graduate of the Bombay University or any other University that may in future be established in the Province of Bombay.

Applications for the Prize shall be forwarded to the Registrar, University of Bombay, Bombay on or before the 30th December, 1948.

Mr. V. L. Mehta Leaving For Delhi On Friday

Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta, Minister for Finance, Co-operation and Village Industries, will leave Bombay, by air in the afternoon of Friday, October 29, for New Delhi and return, also by air, in the afternon of Monday, November 1.

Plague In Bombay?

NEW DELHI, Oct. 27, (API): Singapore and the Federation of Malya have declared Bombay infected with plague and the Netherlands East Indies have declared Calcutta free from plague, says a press note issued by the Director General of Health Services.

WEATHER

DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, October 28, (A. P. I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Thursday, the 28th October, 1948:—

Yesterday's well marked western disturbance lies this morning over east Rajputana and the adjoining parts of the west United Provinces. It is likely to move east-north-eastwards.

Dry weather continued over the country except for isolated light showers in south Malabar, west Central India and Darjeeling and the Khasi hills.

Night temperatures have risen appreciably in south Rajputana, the central parts of the country and the adjoining districts of the south-west United Provinces.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 29TH: Scattered showers will occur in Assam West Bengal, South-East Rajputana, Central India, the north Central Provinces, along the Coromandal-Circars coast and in South Malabar. A few thunderstorms are also likely in the west United Provinces and the East Punjab.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Oct. 28, (A. P. I.): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st October, 1948, and departure from normal recorded at eight hours (I. S. T.) on 28th October, 1948:—

Ahmedabad 97 77 0 0.8 plus 0.4, Allahabad 87 65 0 1.3 minus 0.9, Bangalore 83 62 0 3.0 minus 2.4, Baroda 98 73 0 0.2 minus 1.6, Belgaum 85 7.65 0 4.0 minus 0.5, BOMBAY 89 79 0 2.1 minus 0.3, Calcutta 90 69 0 7.0 plus 3.7, Colombo 86 73 0 8.9 minus 3.6, Cuttack 90 71 0 1.9 minus 3.2, Darjeeling 54 49 T 7.9 plus 2.7, Delhi 89 FA 0 0 minus 0.3, Hyderabad (Dn.) 91 59 0 0.1 minus 2.1, Karachi 87 — — — —, Lucknow 87 65 0 0.7 minus 0.6, Madras 89 74 0 9.2 minus 1.0, Mahabaleshwar 79 62 0 4.5 minus 1.6, Mussoorie 60 48 0 1.4 plus 0.3, Nagpur 92 62..61 0 1.0 minus 1.1, Negapatam 85 77 0 3.6 minus 5.2, Ootacamund 64 47 0 6.6 minus 0.9, Pachmarhi 83 57 0 0.6 minus 1.7, Poona 93 69 0 4.9 plus 1.5, Rajkot 94 71 0 2.6 plus 2.1, Rawalpindi 88 51 0 0.7 plus 0.1, Sholapur 93 66 0 3.7 plus 0.8, Surat 99 74 0.7 minus 0.8.

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French Authority Re-Established In Mahe

Evacuation Of Women And Children Begins

CALICUT, Oct. 28 (API): French authority was re-established in Mahe last night following the landing of troops there, at about dusk, from the French warship which arrived in the harbours.

According to a Peoples Defence Committee spokesman, the Indian national flag, which was hoisted on the French Mahe Administrator's residence, following the collapse of French administration at Mahe, was pulled down by the French troops and the French flag was hoisted in its place.

The landing of the troops began after the breakdown of the conversations between the French authorities and the Peoples Committee representatives on the hoisting of Indian national flag and the future status of Mahe.

Last night, troops marched through the streets of Mahe and sentries were posted at some Government offices and police stations. Some motor vehicles passing through the streets are reported to have been stopped and searched.

Mahe presented a deserted appearance to-day. About 50 per cent of the population of Mahe left the town on Tuesday when the French warship arrived and another 25 per cent fled with the landing of troops yesterday evening. The members of the Peoples Defence Committee are also reported to have left Mahe.

EVACUATION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

The French administration at Mahe collapsed on October 21 when large crowds raided Government offices, burnt records and furniture and secured the surrender of the police and their arms. The administration of Mahe was since then reported to have been in the hands of the Peoples Defence Committee, sponsored jointly by the Mahajan Saba and the Socialist Party.

It is reported that the French Administrator of Mahe, who had been working under the People's Defence Committee's direction, conferred with the Committee's representatives yesterday afternoon and established contact with the French Cruiser lying at anchor off Mahe with the Committee's approval. The Captain of the cruiser and three other officers then came ashore and, after secretly conferring with the Administrator, told the People's Defence Committee that first thing the Indian national flag should be removed from the Administrator's residence, and the arms and ammunition surrendered earlier by the French police should be handed back to the French authorities.

The Committee's representatives asked for an assurance about the future status of Mahe before agreeing to anything else. The talks ended in a deadlock, but soon afterwards troops landed from the cruiser, pulled down the Indian national flag and hoisted the French flag. With the landing of troops, shops began to close and evacuation of women and children from Mahe started.

M. Pierre Gaudart For Paris

BOMBAY, Oct. 28 (API): Monsieur Pierre Gaudart, President of the Pondicherry Chamber of Commerce and member of the French Representative Assembly, arrived in Bombay today on his way to Paris. He described his visit as "purely personal" and said he would return to Pondicherry after a month's stay in the French capital.

Monsieur Gaudart, who declined to comment the present political situation in French India, will leave Bombay on Sunday for Karachi to board an Air France plane.

Socialists' Success In Pondicherry Election

PONDICHERRY, Oct. 28 (API): The Municipal election results for six more Communes adjacent to Pondicherry were announced today. The Socialist party won all the seats, in addition to 30 seats already secured by them in Pondicherry town and one Commune. Thus the Socialist party has obtained 72 more seats in the remaining Communes. They have secured all the 102 seats.

Enquiry Into French Allegations

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (UPI): The Government of India received intimation today from the Indian Charge D'Affaires in Paris of a protest made by the French Government saying that the French Administrator in Mahe and his family had been "taken away in an unknown direction" by followers of the Indian Congress.

A similar protest has also been lodged by the French Ambassador in New Delhi.

Although the Administrator has returned to Mahe from the "unknown direction" where he was alleged to have been taken the Government of India is understood to have asked the Madras Government to enquire into the circumstances that led to the disappearance of the French Administrator and find out if the allegation is true or not.

INDIA INVITES FOREIGN CAPITAL

Rama Rau's Address At U. S. Overseas Press Club

NEW YORK, Oct. 27 (UPA): Indian Ambassador Sir Benegal Ram Rau, speaking at the Overseas Press Club, said today that India had recently modified her industrial policy for the purpose of inviting foreign capital and also requested British and American oil experts to study the possibilities of establishing refineries in India.

Sir Benegal also briefly reviewd the Hyderabad dispute and said that "The accounts of the Hyderabad Government, which have been examined, have disclosed a very serious state of affairs. Large unauthorized transfers of Hyderabad funds to Pakistan officials, and newspaper men in foreign and countries and various others have been made. A sum of over $4,000,000 was transferred to the Pakistan High Commission (in London). The former Finance Minister of Hyderabad also transferred $1,800,000 to the accounts of his friends in London. He is reported to have spent nearly $3,000,000 from the State Treasury on the purchase of arms and for payments to adventurer Sidney Cotton for smuggling arms into Hyderabad territory.

Forty-eight thousand dollars was paid by the Nizam for propaganda in the United States as an 'advance subscription" to an American concern. Ten-thousand pounds was paid to an English gentleman for the negotiations for the purchase of Goa from Portugal. Half-a-million dollars was paid to the Foreign Secretary and member of the so-called Hyderabad delegation to the United Nations."

Rama Rau said that the continuance of a democratic system in India hinges on the economic development "for the overwhelming majority of poor people will not tolerate a democratic system unless it frees them from the menace of starvation and periodical famines. Therefore, Communism is a potential danger which is bound to gather strength unless India is rapidly developed industrially and agriculturally and the standard of living raised."

LONDON, Oct. 27, (Reuter): Britain, France and the United States jointly announced tonight their agreement to review dismantling of German factories for reparations in the light of the Marshall Plan needs—but, in effect, the agreement contained little new information.

The announcement followed negotiations between the United States on one hand and the British and French Governments on the other.

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FILMS TO SEE THIS WEEK

"SEARCH"

At The Metro

Woven out of the very heart and soul of life in post-war Europe, "The Search" new M-G-M offering showing at the Metro Theatre, is an unforgettable motion picture.

Seldom have such true characters emerged on the screen, enacting a story that is a great emotional adventure. The story of a mother love around which the plot revolves is that of Mrs. Malik, a young Czechoslovakian mother whose family is disrupted and torn apart.

Separated from his mother, her little boy, Ivan, becomes a wandering refugee. As the tides of war surge across the land, he is finally picked up with other children and sent to

Ivan Jandl and Montgomery Clift in "Search."

an UNRRA camp. When the children are being transported to another centre, Ivan, reacting still like a small hunted animal, escapes and hides away among ruined buildings. Picked by a GI, he again tries to run away; then, convinced that the American soldier is really his friend, he changes his point of view, begins to learn English.

Released from Prison, Ivan's mother never abandons hope that her boy is alive somewhere in spite of apparent evidence that he has been drowned. The drama of how she is eventually reunited with her son provides an intense, gripping climax to one of the most remarkable pictures of recent years.

The leading players of the film are so real that one completely submerges oneself in their story and drama. Little Ivan Jandl, as the nine-year-old boy and Jarmila Novotna, as the mother, give brilliantly restrained and true performances. Montgomery Clift as the young GI contributes one of the best screen characterizations of recent seasons. Aline MacMahon, as the relief worker, supplies another memorable three-dimensional character, and Wendell Corey is excellent in a smaller part. As for the many children and the incidental characters who make up the fabric of the drama they are as real as life itself:.

PARADISE

The film "The Foxes of Harrow", starring Rex Harrison and Maureen O'Hara will be screened at this theatre from today.

"LIFE WITH FATHER"

At The Regal

All of the humour and charm which has figured so prominently in Clarence Day's delightful long-run comedy, "Life With Father" on the stage has been faithfully transferred and expanded upon in Warner Bros.' technicolor production which opens at the Regal today.

It is well named—America's well-known play for it abounds in American charm and all of this attraction has been captured feautifully in the picture. It is a family classic.

Especially noteworthy are the performances by the two stars, William Powell and Irene Dunne. The supporting cast, too, under the skilled hand of Michael Curtiz, is one of the strongest ever assembled for a motion picture.

The fads and foibles of the Eighties are depicted in the comedy. The day household, replete with eccentric Father, kind loving mother and four sons (all are red-headed) is revealed carefully through its trials and tribulations.

There is romance, pathose and some tender moments of rare charm in the picture. The love interest as presented by the roles of young Clarence (Jimmy Lydon) and the 17-year-old Mary (Elizabeth Taylor) is another standout in the picture. A family crisis takes place when Father informs his brood that he nas never been baptised. This results in a series of events which are expertly portrayed by the principals. The historical detail put into the picture reveals Hollywood production at its best.

"WHERE THERE'S LIFE"

At New Empire

Bob Hope's latest comedy for Paramount, "Where There's Life," opens today at New Empire. The film also stars Signe Hasso and William Bendix, with George Coulouris, Vera Marshe, George Zucco and Harry von Zell importantly featured in the supporting cast.

In "Where There's Life" Hope, who is considered by many to be America's top laugh-getter and who has been on the road to practically everywhere now finds himself almost shanghaied onto the throne of the mythical kingdom of Barovia. He plays an American disk jockey who is thought to be the son of the mortally wounded king of the seething little monarchy.

Miss Hasso is cast as a powerful general of the Barovian Army who sets out to bring Hope home to the fatherland. While protecting her future king from the death threats of a terrorist group, she falls in love with him. This further complicates Hope's life, for William Bendix, playing a tough New York cop, is insistent that Bob go through with his promised marriage to Bendix's sister.

'SAVAGE STALLIONS'

At The Strand

In "Savage Staillions", opening today at the Strand, Twentieth Century-Fox brings to a climax its highly successful series of pictures glorifying the thrills of ranch life and of galloping hooves. Keyed to America's avid interest in the 'Sport of Kings" and set against the wild and exciting background of mountain range life, the current picture marks the eighth in which high-spirited and fleet-footed equines—thoroughbreds, trotters, pacers or steeplechase horses—play a lead part.

"Savage Stallions", which is a technicolor filmization of Mary O'Hara's best-seller, "Green Grass of Wyoming", stars Peggy Cummins, Charles Coburn and Robert Arthur. As the hard-riding daughter of a rancher

Peggy Cummins in "Savage Stallions."

who knows her way around the cattle range as well as the trotting races, Peggy displays a versatility in acting that justifies the studio's and public's enthusiasm for her.

Charles Coburn has one of his best roles since he won the Academy Award in "The More the Merrier." "Green Grass of Wyoming" provides plenty of action for the veteran character actor in the role of a trotting horse enthusiast who himself takes over the reins in the sulky contests.

BANDRA

The film "Road to Rio," featuring Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour, will be screened at this theatre from Saturday.

Vera Marshe portrays the sister. After many harrowing escapes from his enemies, and Bendix, Hope remains a happy American citizen, and Barovia loses its general to him.

WHAT'S WHERE in Bombay

METRO
"Search", starring Ivan Jandl, Montgomery Clift and Jarmila Novotna.
Sunday, 10 A.M.—"Search".

NEW EMPIRE
"Where There's Life", starring Bob Hope, Signe Hasso, and William Bendix.

STRAND
"Savage Stallions", starring Peggy Cummins and Charles Coburn.

REGAL
"Life with Father", starring Irene Dunne and William Powell.
Sunday, 10 A.M.—"The Verdict" starring Sydney Green Street, Peter Lorre and Joan Lorridge.

PARADISE
"The Foxes of Harrow", featuring Rex Harrison and Maureen O'Hara
Sunday, 10-30 A.M.—"Kid Millions", starring Eddie Cantor.

BANDRA
"Road to Rio', starring Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour.

Signe Hasso and Bob Hope in "Where There's Life."

Irene Dunne and William Powell in "Life with Father."

FIRST DEFENCE MUST BE OF COMMONWEALTH

Decision At Parliamentary Conference

LONDON, Oct. 27. The Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference today agreed that the "first main defence of the Commonwealth had to be a commonwealth defence rather than any other regional organisation".

Mr. Anthony Eden, Deputy Leader of the Conservative Opposition, initiating a debate on Commonwealth defence, urged co-operation between the Commonwealth, Western Union and the United States.

The United Nations, because of the veto, had no means of enforcing its decisions, he said. Only a real world organisation in which all great powers co-operated could finally secure peace.

But since such a world organisation was not now possible it was necessary to fall back on various regional organisations first — the family group and brotherhood of the Commonwealth.

Second — Western Union, membership of which did not conflict with membership of the Commonwealth. Third — the Union of the British Commonwealth with the United States.

In that direction lay the answer to the Communist threat.

Standardisation between the groups and the interchange of all weapons was essential, Mr. Eden said.

Chairman of the Defence Debate, Mr. Tamizuddin Khan, Deputy President of the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan, said that the differences between members of the Commonwealth were far less important than their common needs and interests".

Representatives of Canada, India, Queensland, British Guiana, the United Kingdom, Kenya, New South Wales and the Australian Commonwealth took part in the defence debate, said a "communique".

The "communique" also said "the importance of further attention being given to the weaker links in the Commonwealth was emphasised, for example matter of continental communications in Africa which the many separate governmental units could not handle alone without outside guidance and assistance".

The "communique" added "the conference as a whole, it was agreed, had shown that in feelings and objectives the members of the Commonwealth were united.

"The were united in support of their own way of life and opposition to international Communism.

GREATEST SINGLE FORCE TODAY

Noel-Baker On Entry Of New Self-Governing Countries In Commonwealth

LONDON, Oct. 27 (Reuter): Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, British Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, asserted today that the entry into the Commonwealth of the new self-governing countries would help to make it even more powerful and respected than it was before.

Addressing the London Rotary Club, Mr. Noel-Baker said "The Commonwealth countries are giving tremendous reinforcement to the movement by which I still believe war can be prevented and peace established. For how long have we feared a war between Asia and the West. I believe that with our new dominions we can put that fear right behind us.

"Each of our units in the Commonwealth is free, and everyone knows it, but on the fundamental question they have worked together, having the same broad conception, the same line of policy, and the world is beginning to understand it".

On the recent meeting of Commonwealth Prime Ministers, Mr. Noel-Baker said: "It was not their purpose to reach joint decisions on the matters they discussed, But I venture the opinion that the importance of the meeting was as great as their formalism was small".

"They reviewed the questions on which the destiny of mankind depends, and their deliberations will affect decisions which will be made by their governments at home".

The Commonwealth partnership had been the greatest single force in world affairs for 50 years, he added.

MOSCOW. (Reuter). Russia's restoration of the first section of the Dnieper-Bug canal, which connects the Ukraine and White Russia with the Baltic countries, has been completed and regular navigation has again started between Pinsk, Kobrin and Brest.

Creation Of New S. African State

Plan For Northern And Southern Rhodesia

LONDON, Oct. 27. (Reuter): Creation of a new South African State, comprising Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, is proposed in a plan shortly to be submitted to London.

Sir Godfrey Huggins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, told a Press Conference tonight that North and South Rhodesias would shortly draft a scheme to federate their territories with the Nyasaland protectorate.

"We have come to the conclusion that the next move will have to be discussions between representatives of Southern Rhodesia and elected members of Northern Rhodesia and try to put up a plan", the Premier in London for the Commonwealth Prime ministers' Conference, said.

"Up to now the thing that has always stopped further discussion has been the attitude of the United Kingdom Government. They cannot, of course, go on resisting this for ever, unless they want to dam up Africa in perpetuity. As Africa is very much in the limelight, they will have to reconsider the matter if they really mean business".

(Under the plan, the merged territories would have a total area of 478,027 square miles, with a population of roughly 90,000 whites and 4,427,000 natives, according to latest statistics. The present Government of Nyasaland is in the hands of a Governor and an Executive and Legislative Council both consisting of nominated members).

COLOMBO, October 27. (U.P.I.): The Government of Ceylon are exploring the possibilities of introducing an all-up air mail service to India Mr. C. Sittampalam. Minister for Posts and Tele-communications, has asked the Post-Master General to consider the implications of such a service and submit a report to him.

Export Of British Goods To India Increased

LONDON, Oct. 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, said today that Britain was exporting more capital goods to India and Pakistan than to any other single market.

In 1947 the volume of British exports to India and Pakistan was £92,200,000 compared with the 1938 volume of £34,300,000 a British trade mission was opening up new markets in the two dominions.

Mr. Wilson said that the sterling area was still the greatest multilateral trading system in the world.

JUDICIAL TRIBUNAL

LONDON, Oct. 27 (Reuter)—The House of Commons today decided to set up a judicial tribunal to inquire into allegations of irregularities which may involve ministers or other public servants.

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MISTRY IN TWO FINALS

Dadar Table-Tennis

BOMBAY, Thursday.

By winning both his semi-finals this evening Mistry qualified for the finals to two events in the Dadar Table-Tennis Tournament. His victory over Dyer and Nensey in partnership with Agaonkar must be considered to be a creditable win over an experienced opponent who was certainly not very erratic this evening. Dyer attacked from the very beginning but the defence of Mistry was equal to the occasion and although the losing pair succeeded in carrying the second and the third games over the extra points winning the third in the process, they were finally overwhelming by their rivals in the fourth which they lost quite narrowly at 21-19.

In the finals of the men's singles event Narayanan made short work of his opponent whom he dismissed in forty points. In the finals he will meet Wagh who also earned that distinction at the cost of Umrigar.

To Miss Suhasini Dharap went the disunction of winning the ladies singles crown when she defeated Miss Jaya Walawalkar in the final of that event. Although the standard of the game was never high, the match and the first and the last games in particular were very keenly contested.

The results:

MEN'S SINGLES (Semi Finals)

K.N.S. Narayanan beat P. Kumar 21-10, 21-13, 21-17; S. D. Wagh beat B. K. Umrigar 21-17, 21-15, 21-13.

LADIES SINGLES (Final)

Miss S. Dharap beat Miss Walawalkar 21-16, 15-21, 21-14, 21-17.

MEN'S DOUBLES (Semi Finals)

K. N. S. Narayanan and B K. Umrigar beat D. M. Kamath and T. Mukundrao 21-19, 21-12, 21-19; N. B. Mistry and S S. Agaonkar beat O. Dyer and N. Nensey 21-19, 23-21, 22-24, 21-19.

MIXED DOUBLES (Semi Finals)

Miss R. Satarwalla and P. Kumar beat Miss P. Satarwalla nd S. Khambatta 21-19, 21-13, 21-26; Miss P. Chitnis and N. B. Mistry beat Miss S. Amladi and Naravanan 14-21, 24-22, 17-21, 21-17, 21-19.

PEARL DIVER SOLD

LONDON, Oct. 28 (Reuter): Mr. Clifford Nicholson, well-known English race-horse breeder, has bought Baron de Waldner's Pearl Diver, four-year-old French bred colt which won the Epsom Derby last year.

Pearl Diver will stand at Mr. Nicholson's stud in Gainsborough, E. L. N. get the better of Young Lincolnshire.

Bombay Hockey League

BOMBAY, Thursday: In the second division Hockey League now being played on the Bombay Provincial Hockey Association Ground the E. I. N. get the better of Young Sports by the margin of two goals to nil after a blank half time. Gama and D'Souza scored for the winners.

In another match in the same division Telegraphs and General Motors snared a goalless draw.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY

6 p.m. Firestones vs Boys Own Club; 5 p.m. Lever Sports Club vs Reserve Bank S. C. (Div II at the BPHA. Ground).

FOOTBALL

5 p.m. Asbestos Cement vs Burmah Shell (Indian Football League at Parel).

TABLE-TENNIS

6-30 p.m. Men's Singles final followed by Men's Double final followed by Mixed Doubles final (Dadar).

Bowlers Dominate First Day At Indore

GAIKWAD CAPTURES FIVE W. INDIES WICKETS

INDORE, Oct. 28 (A.P.I.): The three-day match between the West Indies touring team and the Holkar State Cricket Association commenced here this morning on a matting wicket in excellent weather.

There was an attendance of 2,000 at the start.

C. K. Nayudu, the Holkar Captain won the toss and sent in Nevsarkar and Sarwate to open the Holkar innings to the bowling of Jones and Gomez.

The teams were:

WEST INDIES—J. D. Goddard, G. Carew, J. Stollmeyer, G. Gomez, P. Jones, W. Ferguson, D. Atkinson, G. Headly, K. Richards, C. McWatt, K. Christiani.

Twelfth man—E. Weekes.

HOLKAR STATE—C. K. Nayudu, C. S. Nayudu, Mustaq Ali, C. T. Sarwate M. M. Jagdale, J. N. Bhaya, H. Gaekwad, G. N. Kunzru, Salim Khan, N. E. Nevsarkar, R. K. Vaide.

Twelfth man—K. S. Bhatnagar.

Holkar made a bad start losing their first wicket with only two runs on the board. Nevsarkar got two off Jones and then off the third ball from Gomez Sarwate was caught at fine leg by Stollmeyer before scoring.

Mustaq Ali joined Nevsarkar who hooked Jones to the leg boundary. A few minutes later, however, Jones sent Mushtaq Ali's legstump flying.

C. S. Nayudu then came in and at once started hitting out. He opened his score by hooking Jones to the squareleg boundary. When the total was fifteen Nevsarkar was all but run out. Nayudu twice despatched Jones to the ropes, with a straight drive and a squarecut. Later Nayudu got another four off Gomez, to squareleg and obtained two more fours at Jones's expense to long on for four, all run, and a glance to the fine leg boundary. Then Nevsarkar pulled Gomez to deep squareleg where Atkinson took a well judge catch.

C. S. Nayudu, hitting out with great freedom scored 27 runs in 26 minutes.

He hit two more fours in one over from Jones before he misjudged the pace of a ball from Gomez and was caught at deep midon by Rickards. Nayudu hit six fours.

C. K. Nayudu joined Jagdale. Goddard now took over from Jones and Nayudu got a four off him to the legside. After bowling two overs, Goddard brought on Ferguson and himself crossed over to the other end vice Gomez whose analysis then was three wickets for seven runs.

With a fine four off Goddard Jagdale sent up 51 after the innings had lasted 68 minutes and then, in playing forward to Atkinson who had displaced Goddard at 54, Jagdale was smartly taken by Goddard at second slip for 6.

Bhaya joined his captain but after scoring two he was completely beaten and bowled by Atkinson. C K. Nayudu was then joined by Kunzru Nayudu was missed at second slip by Atkinson off Ferguson when twelve in a total of 63. Kunzru playing cautiously then pulled Atkinson for four and when play was adjourned for lunch the score was 75 for six, Nayudu not out 15, Kunzru not out 13.

Jones and Atkinson were in charge of the attack after lunch. In the third over from Jones, Kunzru was clean bowled by an extra-fast ball from Jones. At the same total C. K. Nayudu, who had been batting patiently for his 17 runs gave a catch at the wicket off Atkinson and was smartly snapped up by McWatt. Salim Khan who came in next, drove Jones straight down the wicket for four and Gaekwad off drove Atkinson for another four. Playing forward to Jones, however, Salim Khan was caught by McWatts for two.

The last wicket added 28 runs. The hundred of the innings was registered after 140 minutes and at 101 Ferguson replaced Jones. Vaide scored a four to fineleg off Atkinson and hooked Ferguson to the square leg boundary. Ferguson soon afterwards wound up the Holkar innings by bowling Gaekwad for 20 which included two fours.

Holkar's first innings lasted 155 minutes.

The West Indies too made a disastrous start losing three wickets for eleven runs. Gomes and Christiani, however, added thirty-three runs for the fourth wicket before the latter was dismissed for 19.

Jagdale opened the bowling to Carew who drove the third ball of the first over for four past cover. Facing Gaekwad of the other end Carew pulled him to the boundary for four. Stollmeyer got a single and then in attempting to take a single off Jagdale, he was run out Vaide at short-maidon throwing down the wicket at the bowlers end.

Headley joined Carew but the latter was bowled by Jagdale for 8 without any addition to the total.

Joined by Gomes, Headley glanced Gaekwad into Mustaq Ali's hand at fine leg for one.

Gomez and Christiani now became associated. Gomez latecut Jagdale for four and then trying a legslide off Gaekwad he skied the ball into the gully where C. S. Nayudu could not make sufficient ground to bring off the catch. Runs continued to come steadily and then Christiani took a lucky four through the slips off the lefthander. After being beaten thrice successively by Gaekwad, Christiani jumped ont to drive him but skied the ball to cover where Salim Khan took an easy catch (44/4/19). Goddard joined Gomez and when tea was taken the score was 44 for four wickets.

Gomez and Goddard playing attractive cricket put on 57 runs for the fifth wicket in 53 minutes before the partnership was broken. Goddard was particularly strong in front of the wicket, drives through the covers being a special feature of his batting. Cutting Jagdale for four, the West Indies' Captain sent up 50 of the inning after an hour's play.

At 51 C. K. Nayudu relieved Jagdale who had been bowling for nearly an hour at a stretch. Goddard and Gomez each got a four off Gaekward at the other end. At 66 C. S. Nayudu was tried vice Gaekwad whose two wickets had cost him 24 runs in twelve overs. Goddard squarecut C. S. Nayudu for three and drove C. K. Nayudu for four following up with another four off C. S. Nayudu to the leg boundary. At 88 Sarwate took over from C. K. Nayudu and two runs later Gaekwad returned vice C. S. Nayudu who had conceded fifteen runs in three overs. With a pull to the midwicket boundary off Gaekwad, Gomez registered 100 of the innings in as many minutes and was then out lbw to Gaekwad for 41 which he made in a stay of 85 minutes, with three fours as his principal strokes.

Rickards who came next did not stay long for after scoring five he was bowled by Gaekwad at 110. Atkinson and Goddard added 13 runs before the West Indies' Captain was bowled for 42 made in 75 minutes. Goddard hit six fours.

McWatt, the West Indies wicket-keeper joined Atkinson and played bright cricket, sending up 150 in 150 minutes. McWatt who bats left hand got most of his runs on the legside. When stumps were drawn for the day the score was 157 for seven.

THE SCORE BOARD

HOLKAR STATE XI (First Innings)

N. E. Nevaskar c Atkinson b Gomes	6
C. T. Sarwate c Stollmeyer b Gomes	0
S. Mushtaq Ali b Jones	3
C. S. Nayudu c Rickards b Gomes	27
M. M. Jagdale c Goddard b Atkinson	6
J. N. Bhaya b Atkinson	2
C. K. Nayudu c McWatt b Atkinson	17
G. N. Kunzru b Jones	14
H. Gaikwad b Ferguson	20
Salim Khan c McWatt b Jones	5
Vaide not out	13
Extras	4
Total	117

FALL OF WICKETS: 1/2; 2/10; 3/24; 4/37; 5/55; 6/57; 7/78; 8/78; 9/89 and 10/117.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Jones	11	3	43	3
Gomes	9	4	8	3
Goddard	4	1	10	0
Ferguson	10.3	3	22	1
Atkinson	12	3	28	3
Stollmeyer	1	0	2	0

WEST INDIES (First Innings)

Carew b Jagdale	8
Stollmeyer run out	1
Headley c Mushtaq Ali b Gaekwad	1
Gomes lbw b Gaekwad	41
Goddard b Gaekwad	42
Christiani c Salim Khan b Gaekwad	19
Rickards b Gaekwad	5
Atkinson not out	8
McWatt not out	28
Extras	4
Total (for 7 wickets)	157

FALL OF WICKETS: 1/9; 2/9; 3/11; 4/44; 5/101; 6/110 and 7/123.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Jagdale	10	2	29	1
Gaekwad	23	6	49	5
C. K. Nayudu	7	1	28	0
C. S. Nayudu	3	0	15	0
Sarwate	3	0	23	0
Salim Khan	1	0	9	0

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF CLOTH BALES

BOMBAY, Thursday:

The Yellow Gate Police and the Bombay Customs are mystified as to how a consignment of cloth which had arrived from abroad disappeared from the docks under their very nose as it were.

Labshankar Hargovind Raval a city cloth merchant, had been intimated by a bill of lading that the consignment he ordered had arrived. For want of godown accommodation, it was stored in the open in No. 14 Victoria Docks, Bombay. It comprised cotton suitings, shirtings and choice poplins.

On Tuesday ten bales were found missing. The stolen bales are valued at Rs. 15,000.

It is said a clever 'modus operandi' was employed by the culprits who brought a truck to the docks where the consignment was lying, loaded it with the ten bales and drove away as if they were taking their own goods.

Wonder Woman Invited To Australia

LONDON, Oct. 28, (Reuter): Would Mrs. Fanny Blankers Koen, Dutch winged-footed winner of four Olympic gold medals, infringe her amateur status by insisting on payment of the cost of taking her two children with her on an Australian tour?

That is the problem facing the Australian Women's Athletic Union who are keen to see the Dutch runner in action in Australia. The original invitation from Australia was for herself and husband, but Mrs. Blankers Koen expected it to include her two children.

Commenting on a report to this effect received from the Hague Mrs. E. F. Magee, secretary of the Australian Women's Athletic Union, said that when she had received official notification she would ask the Australian Athletic Union to seek a ruling from the International Amateur Athletic Federation as to whether it would be permissible to pay the expenses of the children.

"If Mrs. Blankers Koen wants her children with her we would be prepared to bring them out", said Mrs. Magee. "But we do not want to do anything to prejudice her amateur status."

Mrs. Magee said that the Australian Athletic Union's interpretation of the amateur rule was that an athlete could not receive any benefit throgh his or her sport, and that payment of the expenses of the two children would constitute a family benefit to Mrs. Blankrs Koen.

"The rule was drawn up before anyone expected that a woman champion would be the mother of two children. The old gentlemen probably would not have approved of that," said Mrs. Magee.

Mrs. Magee explained that Australia had been able to decide to pay the expenses of Mrs. Blankers-Koen's husband because she was entitled to a trainer, and her husband is her trainer.

PAREL SOCCER

BOMBAY, Thursday: Burmah Shell Sports Club easily accounted for the Wimco Sports Club and scored a convincing victory by five goals to nil in the Indian Football League at the St. Xavier's College ground Parel this evening.

The winners had more of the game in the initial half during which period they netted four times goals and Baboo and Samuel.

The winners crossed over with this four goal lead and after the interval Samuel scored the fifth goal for his side.

AGA KHAN'S NATHOO CHANGES HANDS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28 (Reuter): The Aga Khan's Nathoo, which ran in the International Gold Cup race in New York recently, has been sold to Charles S. Howard, according to the racing correspondent of the New York 'Herald Tribune'. The Irish Derby winner had to be returned to England because of customs technicalities, the writer says. Howard is the owner of a prominent stable in the United States which gained fame through the feats of the great thorough-bred Sea Biscuit.

ACCEPTANCES FOR MELBOURNE CUP

MELBOURNE, Oct. 28 (Reuter): The final acceptors for the Melbourne Cup which is being run on November 2, number 43. If insufficient scratching is received just before 8 p.m., October 30, a ballot will be conducted to reduce the field to the safety limit of 35.

The final acceptors with weights are:

Howe (9-5); Royal Gem (9-4); Master Dash (8-5); Buonarroti Boy (8-4); Red Fury (8-4); Westralian (8-3); Bannerette (8-0); Karachi (7-12); Steady (7-12), Lysander (7-11); Gayness (7-10); Yamboom (7-10); Manakru (7-8); Anthelion (7-7); Carbon Copy (7-6); Few Words (7-6); Kongmeng (7-6); Ninnid (7-6); Saxony (7-6); Black Beau (7-5); Rio Fe (7-5); Robert Bruce (7-5); Royal Scot (7-5); Sir Fellowship (7-5); Comic Court (7-4); Phoibos (7-2); Rimfire (7-2); Saxonian (7-2); Bruin (7-1); Britisher (7-0); Count Cyrano (7-0); Vagabond (7-0); Beau Juste (6-13); Snowstream (6-13); Chatsol (6-12); Clement (6-12); Ballerdale (6-10); Hoyle (6-10); Sir Harfield (6-9); and Sunblast (6-9).

Victoria Derby Runners

MELBOURNE, Oct. 28 (Reuter): Fourteen final acceptors with weights for Victoria Derby running on October 30 are: Brother Sunshine, Carbon Copy, Clement, Comic Court, Count Cyrano, Derrymore, Farsami, Garugal, Mganalla, Phoibos, Rocket Gun, Royal Andrew, Sun Blast and Vagabond, all carrying eight stone ten pounds.

"IRON MAN OF CONGRESS" ARRIVES IN CITY

Crowds Give Tumultuous Ovation To Sardar Patel

India's Deputy Premier Spends Quiet Day: Talks With Bombay Ministers

BOMBAY, THURSDAY.—AT GOREGOAN—A SUBURBAN STATION ABOUT 20 MILES FROM THE CITY ON THE B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY—THE FRONTIER MAIL WAS SPECIALLY HALTED FOR TWO MINUTES THIS MORNING AND INDIA'S ACTING PRIME MINISTER, SARDAR VALLABHBHAI PATEL, ALIGHTED FROM THE TRAIN AND DROVE STRAIGHT TO HIS MARINE DRIVE RESIDENCE.

On this quiet station platform, the Sardar was accorded a simple and informal reception on behalf of Goregaon Village Panchayat, the Government of Bombay and the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee.

Dressed in his usual home-spun khaddar attire, the Sardar, although tired and fatigued after the long train journey, looked cheerful. He greeted the assembled gathering with folded hands, and smilingly accepted a number of garlands offered to him. Sardar Patel was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Maniben Patel and his Private Secretary, Mr. N. S. Shankar.

The Frontier Mail arrived exactly in time today at 10-15 a.m. at Goregoan station. A small crowd of villagers gave a tumultuous ovation to Sardar Patel on his arrival. The Bombay City Police and the Railway Police had made perfect arrangements for the reception.

ELABORATE ARRANGEMENTS

Elaborate arrangements were made at the station for the Sardar to walk down the platform and get in his car waiting besides the railway track. The car was brought there through a siding for the convenience of the Sardar.

The Sardar's arrival by the Frontier Mail was known throughout the City and suburbs, but the exact station he was to get down was kept a secret. All this precaution was taken to avoid the usual tumultuous crowds that are common on such occasions.

One of those who learnt early this morning of Sardar's arrival at Goregoan station by the Frontier Mail, was the "Sirpanch"—the head of the Village Panchayat of Goregaon. This elderly gentleman with long side whiskers and warlus moustache adorning his picturesque countenance was startled to see from his thatched hut a stream of cars heading for Goregaon station. Greatly mystified, he rushed to the station and on enquiries learnt that India's Acting Prime Minister was arriving in about an hour's time by the Frontier Mail.

HIS CLAIM FIRST

The "Sirpanch" was so elated on hearing this news that he dashed off to the nearest village market to bring a flower garland to be presented to the Sardar on behalf of his Gram Panchayat. He was at the station attired in his best festive "achkam" and a long saffron-coloured turban. He told the President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, Mr. S. K. Patil, that it was the ancient custom in this country that a distinguished visitor was always honoured first by the head of the village panchayat before he passed through that village. Mr. Patil readily agreed to his modest request and thus, it happened that the first to garland Sardar Patel on arrival—in exercise of his ancient prerogative—was Mr. Dave, te "Sirpanch" of Goregoan village.

Mr. B. G. Kher, the Premier of Bombay, came next.

Among others who garlanded the Sardar were Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, Mr. P. K. Savant, Secretary of the Hindustan Mazdoor Sevak Sangh, Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas, Mayor of Bombay, Mr. Nathalal Parekh, Secretary of the Municipal Congress Party, Mr. Kilachand Devachand, President of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Sir Vithal Chandavarkar, President of the Bombay Millowners' Association, and the G.O.C. of the Congress Seva Dal.

Among others who were present on the occasion were Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay, Mr. G. D. Vartak, Mr. V. L. Mehta, Mr. Guizarilal Nanda, Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Mr. Purushottam Thakkar and Mr. S. L. Silam, General Secretaries of the B.P.C.C., Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Mr. Bhawanjibhai Khimji, Mr. Ratilal Gandhi, Mr. J. S. Bharucha, Police Commissioner, Mr. N. M. Kampte, Inspector-General of Police.

Sardar Patel was taken in his car by his son, Mr. Dayabhai Patel, who drove him to the City.

BOMBAY MINISTERS' VISIT

After his arrival in the City Sardar Patel spent a quiet day today. Bombay's Premier B. G. Kher, Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Mr. Dinker Rao Desai, Minister for Civil Supplies, Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister, Mr. M. P. Patil Minister for Agriculture, Dr. M.D.D Gilder, Minister for Health and Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self Government paid visit to Sardar Patel at his residence at 5 p.m. and had an informal conference for an hour.

Dr. M.D.D. Gilder and Dr. N. D. Patel examined Sardar Patel and advised him to take complete rest today.

Journalists' Reception

The Bombay Union of Journalists is giving a reception to Sardar Patel at the hall of the Indian Merchants' Chamber on Friday evening. Admission tickets may be obtained by members at the Union office.

SARDAR GREETS CROWDS AT RATLAM

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was fast asleep when the Frontier mail by which he was travelling to Bombay reached Ratlam station at about 10-30 last night.

A large crowd which had gathered at the station hoping to have his darshan were disappointed on learning that there was no prospect of the Sardar coming out of his compartment.

A section of the crowd, thereupon laid themselves down on the track and prevented the train from starting. Eventually the Sardar was woken up and it was not until he had come to the window and greeted the crowd that the people allowed the train to proceed.

DELHI CONGRESS CHIEF'S APPEAL

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API): An appeal to the people, to celebrate Sunday, October 31, the 74th birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister of India, with solemnity, is made by the President of the D.P.C.C., in a statement here today.

Kher Contradicts Press Report

BOMBAY, Thursday.

An outright contradiction of the report which emanated from London and figured prominently in a local paper this morning, was made by Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, in an interview this afternoon.

The report stated that the post of High Commissioner in London, would be raised to ambassadorial status, and that in all likelihood it would be filled up by the Premier of a province. The report hinted, in context, that the choice might fall on Mr. Kher.

When Mr. Kher was informed about it, he stated that he had not read the report. However, this was not the first time that such baseless rumours had been set up. He said, "I don't know anything about it. This is the first time I hear about it.

GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMY DRIVE

Committee To Scrutinise Expenditure

The Government of Bombay has appointed a committee, consisting of the Finance Minister, the Chief Secretary and the Finance Secretary to scrutinise and suggest curtailment of expenditure, during the current year and in 1949-50, on pursuance of the anti-inflation.

The Committee has been asked to ensure that revenue expenditure is well within revenue receipts and that reserves are not drawn upon for capital expenditure.

A broad scheme of priorities has been approved by the Government for the guidance of the Committee. Under this scheme, saubject to a reservation in favour of minimum essential expenditure on administration, and particularly on law and order, all expenditure on Development schemes will have priority over other schemes and productive schemes will have priority over those which are not.

The Committee's decisions will be final, subject only to an appeal to the Cabinet.

THIRD CONCILIATION BOARD FOR DOCKERS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A third Conciliation Board to consider the case of those dock workers not included in the existing ones will shortly be set up it is learnt.

It is understood that Mr. Jaleshwar Prasad, Chairman of the Boards, has asked Mr. P. DeMello, Secretary of the Dock Workers' Union, to suggest the names of two persons to represent the workers on the new Board.

The two Conciliation Boards had informal joint sittings in the morning and in the afternoon today. The Boards will meet again next week.

Mr. Jaleshwar Prasad and Mr. S. C. Joshi, Special Officer of the Labour Department of the Government of India, are leaving for Delhi tomorrow. Their visit, it is understood, is not in connection with the work of the Conciliation Boards.

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A really great man is known by three signs—generosity in the design, humanity in the execution, moderation in success. —BISMARCK

THE KASHMIR TEST

The Defence Minister in his message to Indian forces fighting in Kashmir has reiterated India's pledge to rescue Kashmir from the enemy and to liberate the people. This task will be carried out, said Sardar Baldev Singh, whatever the cost and the handicaps. The Indian Union entered on the relief of Kashmir in response to call for help of the ruler and the people of that State. The campaign was launched after an accession the tentative character of which was insisted on by the Indian Union. Therefore, Kashmir was a part of India and nothing but an adverse vote by the plebiscite could upset that fact. And when any part of Kashmir is attacked, it is an aggression on India and has to be dealt with as such. There can be no question of costs, no diversion by obstacles. The tentative accession meant that the Indian Government recognised the will of the Kashmir people as supreme, not that it was half-hearted in standing by it. Whatever the real feeling of the Kashmir, obviously it cannot be in favour of raiders infesting their territory, much less of Pakistan forces marching in. The obligation of India to clear Kashmir of the aggressor is fundamental, and Sardar Baldev Singh has categorically said that there will be no shirking of this responsibility. To the basic duty has been added the sanctifying record of sacrifices cheerfully rendered by the Indian Army.

The assertions of Sir Frank Messervy, Commander-in-Chief of Pakistan between August 1947 and February 1948, that Kashmir must be a part of Pakistan are astounding. In view of the opinion expressed by him Sir Frank should be called upon by the U.N. Commission to declare what part Pakistan played in October 1947 in the raids on Kashmir and his own share in it. If, as Sir Frank now maintains, Pakistan will regard India as a potent ally hostile country so long as Indian forces stay in Kashmir, then he virtually asserts that Pakistan's policy in Kashmir is justified. Coming from one who held the key position of Commander-in-Chief of the State forces Sir Frank's statement is in the nature of an admission which will have far-reaching consequences. That a national of one Dominion should represent another as the enemy of a third Dominion is bad enough in all conscience, and Britain might well explain to India what action she proposes to prevent a repetition of this form of mischief-making and to bring Sir Frank to book for his activities.

We cannot understand the technique of agreeing on objectives and on methods to be pursued in achieving those objectives, and at the same time of allowing Dominion nationals to promote dissension in the Commonwealth. Unless agreement within the Commonwealth extends to matters of detail no less than to principles, there is bound to be an air of unreality which not all the goodwill in the world can compensate for. Sir Frank Messervy desires the United Nations to impose a solution in Kashmir. Obviously the solution is to be one that will hand over Kashmir, or the bulk of it, to Pakistan. He does not say how this feat is to be accomplished. He has no suggestion as to how the tentative accession is to be undone. But by calling on the United Nations he admits that Pakistan, for all its high-handed dealings with the U.N., cannot do anything by itself. The United Nations may profitably interest itself in the doings of Sir Frank and even more of his successor, Sir Douglas Gracey, who was Pakistan's Commander-in-Chief when Pakistan took over the running of the "Azad Kashmir Government" and still is its Commander-in-Chief. If a complete exposure of Pakistan's complicity is not achieved, it will be a surprise.

The Kashmir Prime Minister has declared his ideological identity with India and his aversion to Pakistan's very basis. The United Nations has in recent months seen many demonstrations of the strength of ideas when opposed to ethnogical ties. What Sir Frank sees as ethnological ties are in reality nothing but the result of a common faith. When Pakistan claims a right over Kashmir as against all the protests of the politically conscious Kashmir, it is nothing less than a claim to dominate and coerce the State. There could be no more arrant nonsense than the appeal to U.N. to support such a claim, and it is strange that Sir Frank should have been guilty of it. The Union Government will pursue its task of discharging its pledge to Kashmir, unmoved by the special pleadings of the Messervys and the military adventures of the Graceys. But it is up to Britain to consider how far her desire for world peace is helped forward by the attitudes and intrigues of its nationals, whether in the army or in civil life, who foment Pakistan's ill-conceived plans of aggrandisement by their eccentricities. In politics and diplomacy as in other walks of life, there is a virtue in consistency. And it would be unwise to go contrary to it.

Reorganisation Of Indian Art

While inaugurating, the other day at New Delhi, an exhibition of paintings and drawings by painters from South India, the Governor-General, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, raised a few points which have a direct bearing on the question of art organisation. He more or less expressed the view that the appreciation of art by the people in any age should be estimated, to some extent, by the reward which the artist gets for his labours, and then, in the observation made by him, that the people today are not willing to pay enough to artists — they do not understand the labour or the trouble that the artist takes—he conveyed a correct impression of the poor appreciation of art in modern times. The lack of interest in art, on the part of the people, is one of the factors which have militated against the revival and progress of every Indian Art.

In our opinion one of the principal items on the programme for the organisation of art, should be the preparation of the ground-work —the education of the people in appreciation of art. The Governor-General struck the right note when he asserted that an schools must teach him to appreciate music, painting and other arts. General education is the best medium for the cultivation of the aesthetic sense of future citizens, but education being one of the obligations of the State, the Government ought to take the initiative in the preparation of the ground-work essential to art-appreciation. The Central Government has set apart large funds for art and has started to allot grants to institutions irrespective of their stability, standards or merits. It ought to focus its attention also on the preliminary work—the education of the people. It should work out, as an integral part of education, a scheme for the training in appreciation of art—a scheme which should be comprehensive in the sense of embracing all arts. For the purposes of formulating any such scheme, the Government should ascertain and rely upon the collective and expert opinion of the country. It should refuse to be guided by the plans which are usually labelled as 'national' and submitted by individuals on institutions without the authority of the nation. May we draw in this connection, the attention of the Government to the recommendations which have been made by the Art Education Committee appointed by the Government of Bombay in 1946, and which aim at the cultivation of the aesthetic sense of school children in a rational manner and as an integral part of education?

With regard to the important point of the organisation of art, the Governor-General said: "It is necessary that when there are so many artists scattered all over India and so many organisations, that there should be some central body to find patronage and opportunities and facilities for public appreciation of the efforts of the artists". Such a central body has emerged it the right moment with the formation of the All-India Association of Fine Arts. The Governor-General had blessed this Association with a message in May last while he was the Governor of West Bengal and now he has agreed to become its patron. This Association is expected to fulfil the long-felt need of a central body of art. The All-India Arts and Crafts Society, under whose auspices the exhibition opened by the Governor-General is held, is a local society of New Delhi, and yet it has for long cherished the dream of acquiring the charter of the country's leadership in art. The conference method which was adopted by this society in order to achieve its objective has not brought success to it. The second conference, which was convened last year at New Delhi, turned against the society and laid the foundation of an independent organisation which is the All-India Association of Fine Arts having on the list of its membership not less than forty institutions; but the society still seems to be under the illusion that it is a representative all-India body. A few months ago, we were given to understand that the Government of India and the Delhi Administration had recognised its all-India character, and now the president of the society, while welcoming the Governor-General, claimed for it an All-India character on the strength of the achievements like exhibitions on an All-India scale. The organisation of exhibitions on an All-India scale is undertaken as a routine, by other provincial societies also, but none of them has claimed itself to be representative of the entire art-world of India.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Bombay Rents Control Amendment Bill

Sir,—With reference to the above, I would like to make a point that the Hotel and Lodging House Control Act, which forms a part of the Rent Act, does not provide that, when a lodger is in arrears of his charges, the Controller of Hotels and Lodging Houses can evict him provided this is proved to his satisfaction.

It may be noted that Section 41 (sub-section 3) gives the Controller the same powers as a Civil Court in determining fair rates and, therefore, to obtain summary process of ejecting lodgers should also vest in him. This could be done by the Controller issuing an order for ejectment after completely satisfying himself that the complaint of the Hotel or Lodging House Keeper is genuine and in case the lodger resists ejectment the Controller should be able to have the services of the Baliff of the Small Causes Court to enforce his order.

It would be in the interests of the general public, when there is such acute shortage of hotel accommodation, for hotel-keepers to be able to clear rapidly people and be spared the long drawn out process of a suit in Small Causes Court. Incidentally I understand that there are a number of people in the hotels and lodging houses who keep on staying with impunity without paying their charges and await action by the hotel-keepers in the Small Causes Court. Possibly when the actual summons comes they will clear out and try the same game at some other hotel or lodging house —Yours, etc.

A CITIZEN

Land Nationalisation In Burma

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, have sent the following telegram to the Secretary to the Government of India Ministry of Commonwealth Relations, New Delhi regard the Land Nationalisation Bill in Burma:

"Committee Indian Merchants' Chamber wish to draw attention of Government to certain recent developments in Burma vitally affecting the interests of Indian nationals in that country. The Land Nationalisation Bill passed by the Burmese Legislature in its present from and scope will deal a serious blow to Indian interests there inasmuch as the compensation proposed to be given to owners is not equitable but almost nominal Indian interests in Burma have already submitted their case to Governments both in Burma and here. Committee request that this is a matter which should be decided at Governmental levels and that Government of India should take early steps to arrive at a basis of settlement which could be deemed fair and equitable.

By executive orders, Burmese authorities have prohibited the remittance of more than Rs. 500 per mensem by a party from Burma when the remittance is through a bank and of more than Rs. 40 when remitted by money order. Indian settlers or residents in Burma have need to send moneys to India both in connection with their business activities and for the maintenance of their families and these restrictions should be liberalised so as to take due account of the minimum requirements in respect of such remittances. Committee request that Government of India will be good enough to give their early attention to this matter.

Bombay Should Not Be Included In Maharashtra

A REPLY TO DR. AMBEDKAR

(By M. C. Munshi)

The Law Minister's Statement deals with two main themes: (i) a plea for the formation of Maharashtra province on the basis of a common language, and (ii) a plea for the inclusion of Bombay in Maharashtra. In the preceding article we have already seen how the Law Member practically gives away the whole case for a linguistic province by vehemently objecting to the language of the province being made its official language when it happens to differ from the official language of the Centre. Among the reasons which he places before the Commission for the creation of Linguistic Provinces, he mentions the formation of six other provinces, (i) East Punjab, (ii) United Provinces, (iii) Bihar, (iv) West Bengal, (v) Assam and (vi) Orissa. It would be equally pertinent to refer to the other fact that has come in the wake of the formation of these provinces, viz: the happenings on Bengal-Assam border, the controversy raging between Bengali and Bihari leaders over the re-allocation of villages on the borders of the provinces and the administrative, territorial, economic, strategic issues that these provinces have been raising time and again for the Centre.

OUTMODED DOCTRINE

The other main argument is based on the principle of language for the successful working of democracy. It follows that each province must be homogeneous in population if democracy in the province is to be successful. This is simply another way of saying that each province must be a linguistic unit if it is to be fitted to work a democratic constitution. "Herein lies the justification for linguistic provinces" (page 4.) It is, indeed, surprising that while the Hon. Minister is aware that the homogeneity of a people depends not merely on language but on other factors as well, as he shows on a previous page, he seeks to emphasize language almost to the exclusion of the remaining factors that would make for homogeneity. It would lead us far into discussions of recent political theories about Nationalism and Culture, but it is pertinent to observe that this doctrine of nationalism based on language has now become outmoded. "Language is, therefore, no characteristic of a nation; it is even not always the decisive of membership in a particular nation. Every language is permeated with a mass of foreign speech elements in which the mode of thought and intellectual culture of her peoples live. For this reason, all attempts to trace the so called essence of nation to its language fail utterly to carry conviction." (Nationalism and Culture by Rudloif Rocker, Rockers Publication Committee, California, 1937. Page 297). "The attempt to make the culturally United-Nation state the one and only basis of legitimate political organization has proved untenable in practice. It was never tenable in theory." (National Self-Determination by Alfred Cobban. Royal Institute of International Affairs, 1945. Pp. 63). It has been one of the banes of our political and social life that we continue to wallow in exploded theories and fail to benefit by the lessons of history in other climes or by the achievements in the realm of thought.

MINORITY MUST BE MAJORITY!

It is, however, when we come to the second part of the Law Minister's statement, wherein he lends his support to the demand for the inclusion of Bombay in Maharashtra, that grave misgivings arise, misgiving to which we gave expression in the opening paragraphs of the last article. As a specimen of the logic resorted to by the Law Member, we may cite the pontificial wrath with which he quotes Lord Birkenhead's famous dictum of cases where a minority is a majority. A little later when he is confronted with the statistical argument that what he believes to be a majority is really a minority (from 51 per cent. to 36 per cent) his only answer is "if people from all parts of India were allowed to come to Bombay and settle there, why should the Maharashtrians suffer? It is not their fault. The present state of population cannot, therefore, be a ground for excluding Bombay from Maharashtra." Obviously, the minority must be a majority! Another piece of logic is the systematic manner in which he excludes the other sections of the population of Bombay who are neither Gujerati-speaking nor Marathi-speaking, and places the issue before the Linguistic Provinces Commission as if the question of Bombay is only a matter of controversy between the Gujaratis and the Maharashtrians. Perhaps, a Cabinet Minister of the Central Government may be expected to keep himself aloof from such distortions and sectional feuds!

SWEEPING GENERALISATION

Another amazing argument coming from the pen of one who has written something of and taught economics at Bombay is the assertion that "Gujeratis have been just merchants which is quite different thing from being industrialists". If the establishment of such basic industries as iron and steel, hydro-electric projects and shipping cannot be regarded as solid achievements of entrepreneurship a student of Economics may as well ask of what stuff are the industrialists made? Such a sweeping generalisation as this one coming as it does from the Law Minister of the Government of India can hardly be believed to emanate from ignorance. Even so, this is not enough for he attempts to re-write history. "There is no foundation in fact that the statement that the trade and industry of Bombay was built up by Gujaratis. "It was built up by the Europeans". If there has been no manifestation of entrepreneurship in Bombay, one shudders to think what the Law Member would have to say as regards the rise and growth of Calcutta. How strangely and effortlessly is the Economics of "Poverty and Un-British Rule' of the late Dadabhoy Nowroji are forgotten for the sake of special pleading!

FRUITLESS CONTROVERSIES

Incidentally it is when he compares the position of Calcutta in Bengal to that of Bombay in the Presidency that the Law Member chooses to admit: "Like the Maharashtrians in Bombay, Bengal in Calcutta are in a minority". (Page 38). It would be unedifying to pursue this amazing statement of the Law Member but for the fact that such forces have been permitted to resort to even such unfamiliar tactics of hurling threats if their demands are not granted.

"If, however, circumstances force its acceptance on them, they will in their turn challenge the concept of integrity of Bombay City. Large portions of the City of Bombay are inhabited by a majority of speakers of Marathi and most of these are contiguous to the territory of Maharashtra outside city limits. Why should Marathas living in these parts be supposed to welcome non-Maratha rule? If it is to be partition, why not a partition of Bombay city territory as well? At least the bulk of the Marathas in the City could then still remain joined with the State of Maharashtra." (Prof. D. R. Gadgil's article in "Bharat Jyoti" of 17th Oct. 1948).

It is surprising how such fruitless controversies have been permitted to distract public attention and to divert people's energies from useful or constructive channels. For these very advocates of a loose Federation are able to wax hot and cold in the same breath and insist that "all areas which are contiguous and speaking the same language should be 'forced" to come into it. There should be no room for choice or self-determination and that the new provinces should be thoroughly unitary provinces, "for they are alive to the danger that smaller provincial units will be of perpetual burden in normal times and a source of weakness in emergency."

NEITHER EDIFYING NOR CONSTRUCTIVE

It is time that public opinion in the country were mobilised properly for a correct emphasis on the principles and forces that should govern our new Constitution, that it is made alive to the mischief and dangers of loose thinking (though this may be presented in the form of organized propaganda). It is time that unedifying threats deriving their strength from sectional interests and narrowing ideals of linguistic nationalism were met adequately and effectively by those who will be called upon to frame a constitution for a country which not only cherishes its dearly-bought freedom but wants to sustain it in the interests of civilisation and democracy. It is in the context of these wider principles and larger interests that statements like the one which we have discussed here or the controversies that have arisen in the wake of the appointment of the Linguistic Provinces Commission ought to be viewed. Even from the narrow view point of argumentation, in public controversies one is forced to conclude that the Law Minister's statement can hardly be pronounced to be edifying or constructive.

*The first article appeared on the 27th instant.

(Concluded.)

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Sardar Patel

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who arrived in the city on Thursday, has a crowded programme out out for him during his five days' stay in spite of his indifferent health. Our people are such ardent hero-worshippers and they are not going to restrain themselves in honouring a hero of numerous exploits on his 74th birthday. Who could forget or underestimate a life of ceaseless struggle for Swaraj and ceaseless service of the masses crowned with a rapid succession of achievements in State-integration which would do credit to any statesman in the world? As Mr. C. Rajagopalachari has observed, "it was a very difficult task which none but the brave would have undertaken in the circumstances prevailing. A more forceful politician it will not be easy to find in India or the world. He has justly earned the reputation of being India's "man of steel."

Western Powers' Gesture

In their latest decision on the Berlin situation, the taree Western Powers have executed what really amounts to a climbdown before Soviet obduracy. M. Vyshinsky's veto left them confronted with the alternatives of intensifying the conflict through an appeal to the General Assembly and of making, indirectly, another appeal to the Soviet Union to settle the issue by negotiations. They have chosen the latter alternative. The three Foreign Ministers have announced that they will, immediately, neither appeal to the General Assembly nor even revive the case in the Security Council unless the Soviet Union intensifies the Berlin blockade or takes any other action to make the situation more dangerous. This virtual, even if temporary, submission, to the present situation is a triumph for the Soviet Union and should cancel the grievance about the case being taken to the Security Council. Thus the way is clear for a Soviet response to the offer to settle the issue outside the Security Council on the basis of the last compromise resolution. It is basically a just and reasonable formula and a peaceful and satisfactory end of the Berlin crisis is possible on its basis, given the will to it.

Arab States' Warning

The Acting Mediator in Palestine has ordered both Egypt and the Jews to withdraw to their original positions in Southern Palestine. The Jews have already refused to do so. And in view of their claims of victories in Negev the refusal constitutes a clear declaration on their part that they will stick to their advantage in defiance of the Mediator's orders. It is in these circumstances that the members of the Security Council have decided to postpone consideration of the issue or the Jewish attitude, with Mr. Warren Austin telling the Egyptian delegate with hectoring arrogance, that the Security Council cannot be "hustled" into discussing the case. The American delegate and his pro-Jewish friends naturally would not. But the Arabs cannot allow the Jews to enjoy the advantages secured through the assistance and sympathy of their patron Powers in defiance of the Mediator himself. The Syrian warning to Mr. Warren Austin and his friends that Arab States would resume joint military operations on all fronts will become a fact if the Security Council fails to do its duty immediately. It is an imperative duty because the new flare-up may well destroy all possibilities of peace and plunge the entire Middle East irrevocably into war.

Army Nationalisation

The progress in nationalising the Indian Army as explained by the Commander-in-Chief, Lieut-General Sir Roy Bucher, is quite satisfactory, but the question remains whether all the Defence Departments are sufficiently developed for our increased responsibilities as an independent country. At present the only British officers in executive posts in the Army are the Commander-in-Chief and two Sub-Area Commanders and these two are to be relieved by the end of the year. It is true that about 250 British officers are still working as advisers or in technical capacity, but there is no serious political anomaly in this and this number is expected to be appreciably reduced by January next year. Nevertheless it is desirable for India to be self-sufficient in all national spheres, particularly those relating to Defence and every attempt must be made to reach the ideal as early as possible.

—And Expansion

As regards recent army expansion, we are told that, while we had only 150 officers and 563 others in the Army Headquarters on 15th August, 1947, we have now 680 officers and over 4,000 others. Not the least important of the many Defence Departments is the Defence Science Organisation which seeks to keep in touch with modern scientific developments and to utilise them for Defence purposes. It is proposed to recruit 100 scientists during the next two years for research in this field and we trust there will be no difficulty in recruiting that number of scientists. An allied department is that of expert technicians. The very fact that we have still to depend largely on British technicians shows the need for speedily nationalising this department. The chief difficulty in recruiting a large number of high grade technicians, science research workers and officers in general is that the recruits should not only be well educated but should also have an aptitude for military service. Our old system of education was, for obvious reasons, ill calculated to combine both these merits. But that defect is now being remedied by the institution of the National Cadet Corps, junior and senior, and the increased attention to military studies in our universities.

Cost Of Primary Education

The Bombay Municipal Schools Committee has joined numerous other local bodies in appealing to Government for higher grants for primary education. There is no doubt that the extension of free and compulsory education has created a big financial problem for Government and local bodies. With the abolition of English in the first three standards of secondary schools and the increase in the fees in these schools, numerous students are crowding into the free upper primary classes conducted by local bodies. This is an additional item in the growing cost of primary education. Then, again, Basic education now to be extended, is expected to be more costly than the mere book education followed so far. Finally, for the very reason that many students are now leaving lower secondary schools to join the upper primary schools, the secondary schools complain a loss of revenue and are asking Government to increase their grants. In these circumstances it is difficult for Government as well as local bodies to bear the growing expenditure on education. We feel it is necessary to increase the resources, through taxation, of both Government and local bodies and equitably fix the share of each in meeting the cost of primary education.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Mr. Bevin, Mr. Marshall and M. Robert Schuman met at the French Foreign Office and they announced afterwards that their Governments "are ready to continue to fulfill their obligations and to face their responsibilities with regard to the Council, which is still ready to examine any development of the situation."

In authoritative western circles today's decision by the three powers was regarded as leaving the door open for any move the Soviet Government might wish to make.

—Paris Report.

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Said Rajaji at the Rajpramukh's banquet in Gwalior: "On the one hand I want appreciation of the Princes' position and I also want the Princes to apreciate the difficulty of the people and the popular ministry."

Particularly that the "difficulty" includes Their Highnesses, too.

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General Messervy, ex-Commander-in-Chief of the Pakistan forces, has come out strongly in support of Pakistan and has gallantly done everything but conquer Kashmir for Pakistan before an audience in London.

Kashmir, boomed this faithful Blimp, basically must belong to Pakistan for ethnological, economic and geographical reasons.

Being a Blimp, the General didn't and couldn't know that then East Bengal would belong to West Bengal and India and, if corrected, would exclaim: "Gad Sir, then West Bengal and India should be incorporated into East Bengal."

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Another Messervisque argument was that "an enemy, free in Kashmir, would threaten at close range the vital main rail and road communications from Lahore to Peshawar.

We are more than convinced. In fact, two things, not one, are vitally necessary to avert threats by "the enemy" to rail and road communications from Lahore to Peshawar. One is, of course, that Kashmir should be absorbed by Pakistan. Second, and perhaps even more necessary, is to protect the source of all this vitality, Lahore itself. The frontiers of "the enemy" being almost in the suburbs of the city, should, indeed, be pushed back at least one hundred miles.

And, we need hardly add, this also should be done by the U. N. with the force, which, as required by Messervy, is to clear India—clearly under Messervy's command out of Kashmir.

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By the way, General Sir Frank Messervy, we are reminded, was Pakistan's Commander-in-Chief from August 1947 to February 1948.

Which, as you know, includes the period, October 1947, when the Kashmir trouble started.

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The report of the Messervy oration also says: "Field-Marshal Earl Wavell, a former Viceroy of India, presided at the meeting".

And what did Field-Marshal Earl Wavell say?

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Five Karachi papers have jointly demanded that "Pir Illahi Baksh Must Go" and that the administration be taken over by the Governor under what is still popularly known as Section 93.

This shocked us because we know that Khuhro and Illahi Baksh do not exhaust the list of leaders deserving of Premiership. In fact, every Muslim League politician in Sind has always been eagerly convinced that he-er-fits splendidly into Premiership.

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But our shock was somewhat modified on discovering that the Editors, while plumping for Mr. Din Muhammad from Lahore, have expressed themselves agreeable to giving Sind representative one more chance to produce a better team. And with this end in view they suggest that "a search should be made among representative elements in Sind for a new Premier."

We hope this suggestion is carried out by Mr. Din Muhammad the Governor, with instructions to the Inspector-General of Police that accompanied by a strong and efficient police party, he should immediately do the needful and report his finds.

OPEN AIR

The Pied Kingfisher is, as its name implies, black and white in colour, but in spite of its sober colouring in comparison with the lovely greenish blue and rust of its relatives, the Common and the White-Breasted Kingfishers, it is a true kingfisher both in its build and its habits. If you see a squat little black and white bird, a little larger than a Myna, on a telegraph wire overlooking some water and notice that it has a very strong pointed beak you can fairly safely guess that it is the Pied Kingfisher. This bird's method of catching its food of fish or frogs or other creatures that swim in the water distinguishes it from most other fish-eating birds. Occasionally, like the other kingfishers, it swoops into the water from an overhanging perch. More often it hovers like a kestrel in one spot, some thirty feet up in the air, with swiftly beating wings and eyes fixed on the water below. When a fish swims near the surface, it dives like a stone, catches its prey and reappears to fly back to its perch with loud cries of satisfaction. With such a strong beak, it is not surprising that the Pied Kingfishers make a tunnel some six feet in length in the bank of a stream for their egg chamber—it can hardly be called a nest, for it is unlined—and there rear their family of five or six young ones.

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PIED KINGFISHER

FINANCIAL DEALINGS WITH HYDERABAD

Government Removes All Restrictions

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28, (API): Consequent on the changed situation in Hyderabad, the Government of India has decided to remove all financial restrictions imposed against Hyderabad State, says a Press Note issued by the Finance Ministry.

The Reserve Bank of India has, therefore, issued a set of notifications cancelling the orders issued by it on July 2 and 12, 1948, which banned the export, to Hyderabad; of gold, jewellery or precious stones, Indian currency notes, bank notes or coin and foreign exchange, and prohibited all payments to or in favour of residents of Hyderabad except by credit to the Hyderabad blocked account.

There will be no restrictions in future on financial dealings with residents of Hyderabad, or on the operation of accounts maintained in India by residents of Hyderabad.

Where amounts have been credited on behalf of Hyderabadi residents to the Hyderabad blocked account maintained with the Reserve Bank of India, appucations for release thereof should be prefered to the bank by the beneficiaries.

Hakimpet airport near Hyderabad Deccan will be an intermediate stop for Air India's Bombay-Colombo service from November 1, it is learnt. The Airline's Bombay-Colombo service had suspended its stops at Hakimpet on June 29 under instructions from the Directorate of Civil Aviation India.

PAK MINISTER'S PENSION STOPPED

HYDERABAD, (Deccan), Oct. 28, (API): The Military Goverment has stopped the payment of the pension being paid by the Nizam Government to Mr. Ghulam Mohamed, Finance Minister, of Pakistan.

The orders were issued today by Mr. D. R. Pradnan, Additional Civil Administrator and member of Finance in the Military Government.

Mr. Ghulam Mohamed was in Hyderabad service for three years as the Finance Member in the Nizam's Executive Council. He retired in May 1945, and the pension was granted two and half years later in December 1947 the same time as the twenty-crore loan was granted with retrospective effect, and some thirty thousand rupees were paid to him as arrears.

The Nizam's firman granting the pension said, among other things that it was being given "in view of the deterioration in the health and pecuniary circumstances of Mr. Ghulam Mohammed."

NOTORIOUS RAZAKAR ARRESTED

SECUNDERABAD October 28 (UPI): Bashir Ahmed, a notorious Razakar, has been taken into custody. He fired, it is alleged, upon the public from the window of his house on September 18.

Search for hidden arms continues. 22 spears, three country-made pistols and a quantity of gunpowder were secured from a Christian cemetery yesterday.

GANDHI NAGAR

Battery Lines in Hyderabad has been renamed as Gandhi Nagar in order to perpetuate the memory of Mahatma Gandhi.

A women's organisation named Kasturba Mahila Samaj after the name of Srimati Kasturba Gandhi has also been formed with a membership of 25 women. The function of the organisation will be the service of women in the State.

LAND REVENUE STRUCTURE

The land revenue structure of Hyderabad State is being overhauled and made as efficient as possible, it is learnt.

Towards this end in view, the ryotwari system in vogue in the State is being closely scrutinised as also the secretarial set-up in the districts.

"ELECTION BUDGET"

HYDERABAD (Dn), Oct. 28 (API): Mr. M. Seshadri, Hyderabad's Election Commissioner, submitted his "Election Budget" to the Military Administration today. It totals between thirty and forty lakhs of rupees and is worked out on the basis that there will be about 95 lakhs of voters in Hyderabad State.

Mr. Aziz Chida, Additional Secretary to the Planning and Development Department, Nizam's Government and Mr. Mohamed Noman Khan, Assistant Director of Information Bureau, who has earlier been placed under suspension by the Military Government pending investigation of their activities, were arrested today under the Hyderabad Defence Rules.

COMMUNALISM HAS NO PLACE IN HYDERABAD

Swami Thirth's Address At Maharashtra Congress

HYDERABAD (Dn), Oct. 27 (API): The future of Hyderabad—constitutional, economic and potentical—had to be reviewed in the context of national issues, said Swami Ramanand Tirth, President of the Hyderabad State Congress addressing the Working Committee of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress (the Maharashtra wing of the Hyderabad Congress) today.

Mr. Mukundrao Pedgaokar presided.

Swami Tirth said that it was only the State Congress which enjoyed the confidence of the people and could mould the future of the State. For fulfilling this responsibility, he added, a strong organisation was essential and it was time for the Stage Congress to adopt a practical perspective of the whole situation.

To those who might be awaiting the announcement of an interim ministry in Hyderabad, Swami Ramanand said: "you have to remember that the Government of India have decided not to have Hyderabad on mere chances. All questions about the future shall have to be decided by the people themselves". One great thing they had gained, he said, was that provincialism had receded to the background and nationalisation had gained victory. Communalism had no place in Hyderabad, it was driven out of India. They had to be cautious about sectionalism. After victory they should be modest because victory brought with it many responsibility.

PLAGUE IN HYDERABAD CITY

Plague has broken out in Hyderabad city.

During the week ended October 23, there were 92 cases of plague in the city of which 18 died. One particular locality alone reported 72 cases. Over 7,600 anti-plague inoculations were performed during the week. 119 cases of plague were under treatment at the isolation hospital during the week.

DUTCH FOREIGN MINISTER FOR JAVA

Inquiry Into Unrest On Spot

THE HAGUE, Oct. 28, (Reuter): The Dutch Foreign Ministry announced today that the Dutch Foreign Minister, Dr. D. U. Stikker, was leaving today for Indonesia "in view of the growing unrest there which is causing the Government grave anxiety".

His trip is the result of a cabinet decision. He expects to spend ten days in Batavia.

"The purpose of the journey", a Ministry communique said, "will be to carry out an on-the-spot investigation into the extent and seriousness of the alarming situation and, without himself leading any renewed negotiations, nevertheless to try by his presence to promote the possibilities of such resumption."

"Mr. N. S. Blom, adviser to the department of Foreign Affairs and former Director of Justice in Batavia, will accompany the minister".

THE HAGUE, Oct. 28, (Reuter): Dr. Hubertus Van Mook's resignation as Lieutenant-Governor-General in Indonesia has been officially accepted by Queen Juliana of the Netherlands, it was announced here today.

It will take effect when Dr Van Mook hands over to the authority appointed to take over from him, the announcement stated.

PIR KALEWA CLEARED OF HOSTILES

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API): On the afternoon of October 16, Indian Troops cleared Pir Kalewa, north-north-west of Rajauri, of hostiles says a Defence Ministry communique. Pir Kalewa is a high feature commanding the area astride the Rajauri-Thanamandi road.

In the Jhangar sector several parties of hostiles north of Jhangar were engaged and dispersed by our artillery. Fifteen hostiles were killed in the Chhamb area when our troops ambushed a party of raiders. Later under cover of machine-gun fire the hostiles rushed in reinforcements but Indian artillery and mortars foiled the hostiles attempt to concentrate for further attack on our positions. As a result of this the hostiles believed to have suffered heavy casualties.

In other sectors except for exchange of shell and mortar fire between our troops and the hostiles there is little to report.

'INDIA'S PLEDGE TO LIBERATE KASHMIR'

Defence Minister's Message

NEW DELHI, Oct. 27, (API): "We have pledged to liberate Kashmir whatever the cost and handicaps", declared Sardar Baldev Singh, India's Defence Minister, today in a special Kashmir anniversary message to the men of the Indian army and the Royal Indian Air Force.

The message said: "To the men of the Indian army and the royal Indian air force I send my warmest greetings on behalf of myself and my colleagues. One year ago today you made history when a small Indian force landed in Srinagar to save that city from tribal hordes from Pakistan. This day will ever be remembered by thousands of citizens in Jammu and Kashmir State as a day of deliverance from evil, from oppression and torture."

"I salute today the fallen heroes who have given their lives and limbs to defend Kashmir.

"We the Government and people of India have full confidence in you. We have pledged to liberate Kashmir whatever the cost and handicaps. On you has fallen the heavy responsibility of serving the country in this great task. We are confident that you will soon add another leaf to your glorious record. In your sacred mission we wish you success and god speed."

THIMAYYA'S TRIBUTES

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26. (API): Major General K. S. Thimayya, General Officer Commanding the Indian troops in Kashmir, in an order of the day, today, paid a tribute to his troops for their magnificent and splendid fight during the last year.

U. P. AGRICULTURAL INCOME-TAX BILL.

LUCKNOW, Oct. 28, (A. P. I.): The U. P. Agricultural Income-Tax Bill, 1948 which seek to levy tax on agricultural incomes exceeding Rs. 3,000 per annum and super tax on incomes exceeding Rs. 25,000 per annum as amended by the Select Committee was passed in the U. P. Legislative Assembly today.

GERMANS TABOO VISHINSKY

BERLIN, Oct. 28 (UPI): Germans hissed and booed when films were screened in western sectors, showing M. Vishinsky speaking at the U. N Security Council.

Russia is likely to protest to the western authorities.

Economic Committee's Report

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API): The Economy Committee appointed by the Government of India to suggest measure of economy in the working of various ministries completed another series of meetings this week. The Committee which is presided over by Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai examined the working of seven Ministries, namely, External Affairs and Commonwealth, Information and Broadcasting, Labour Health, Agriculture and Food, Transport and Education. The Committee will shortly submit its report on these Ministries to the Finance Ministry.

The next series of meetings will be held on November 27 when the working of the Commerce, Communicatinn aond Industry and Supply Ministries will be examined.

FINAL OFFER TO RUSSIA

Proposal To Settle Berlin Crisis Outside U.N.

PARIS, Oct. 27 (CPA): The United States, Britain and France tonight offered Russia a final chance to settle the Berlin crisis outside of the United Nations.

After a day of top-level conferences the Western Allies issued a carefully worded "communique" actually aimed directly at the Kremlin which made the following points:

Firstly, the Western Powers will settle the Berlin crisis outside the United Nations if the Russians will accept the compromise which they vetoed Monday in the Security Council.

Secondly, the Western powers have no immediate intention of asking the United Nations General Assembly to denounce Russia in the name of 58 world countries as a treat to peace. For the present, they will keep the Berlin question before the Security Council: and

Thirdly, the Western powers will not hesitate to revive the case in the Council if Russia gets tough by intensifying the blockade of Berlin or taking other action to make the situation more dangerous.

The Western Foreign Ministers spent the day in conferences on the Berlin crisis and the proposed Atlantic defence pact.

Stop Press

TOKYO MILITARY CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28 (Reuter): Soviet Ambassador, Alexander Panyushkin demanded today that the United States disclose what took place at a "secret military conference" which, he said, General Douglas MacArthur held this month in Tokyo.

NEHRU AT PAK RECEPTION

PARIS, Oct. 28, (Reuter): India's Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, tonight had a private hour and a half talk with Mr. John Foster Dicces, United States Republican party adviser on foreign affairs. Pandit Nehru was accompanied by Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary-General of the Indian External Affairs Ministry.

The engagement delayed Pandit Nehru's arrival at the Pakistan reception given by Sir Muhammed Zafrullah Khan in honour of Pakistan Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan. The Pakistan and Indian Prime Ministers were the central figures at the reception, which was attended by many leading figures of the United Nations Assembly.

WAR NOT INEVITABLE, SAYS BEVIN

LONDON, Oct. 28 (API): Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, said here tonight: "I am not one of those who believe that war is inevitable." "I believe that with wise guidance, keeping cool, exercising patience and sometimes grim determination to survive, a condition in the world can be created, in which peace is not only probable but possible and certain."

RAJEN BABU AND PAKVASA FOR JUBBULPORE.

NAGPUR, Oct. 28, (A. P. I.): The Governor Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa left this afternoon for Jubbulpore along with Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President for the inaugural function there tomorrow of the memorial to the martyrs of the 1942 August movement. Dr. Prasad will inaugurate the function.

GOONDAS ACT EXTENDED.

NAGPUR, Oct. 28, (A. P. I.): It is officially announced that the provincial Government have extended the operation of the Goondas Act in the whole of Akola District with effect from October 30, as in opinion of the Government conditions still continue to be disturbed in that area.

HYDERABAD ADMINISTRATORS FOR BOMBAY.

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Oct. 28, (A. P. I.): Major-General J. N. Choudhary, Military Governor, Mr. D. S. Bhakle, Chief Civil Administrator and Mr. D. R. Pradhan, Additional Civil Administrator are expected to leave for Bombay by air tomorrow morning. Major-General Rudra, Commander, Madras Area, arrived here today to meet the military Governor.

GERMAN WORKERS' DEMONSTRATION

STUTTGART, Oct. 28 (Reuter): United States and German police fixed bayonets and used teargas when between 3,000 and 4,000 demonstrators marched down Stuttgart's main street today, breaking shop windows. The march followed an open air mass demonstration of more than 80,000 workers against rising prices and for wage adjustments.

"RED" OFFENSIVE IN CHINA

Over 250,000 Men Involved On Both Sides

NANKING, Oct. 28 (Reuter): The large-scale battle raging in the West Liaoning plain, north of the Manchurian corridor, entered a new phase today with Chinese Communist troops manoeuvring to encircle Government forces, pro-Government despatches said.

The seesaw battle on which the future of all Manchuria depends, was today in its third day.

More than 250,000 men on both sides are involved and the seven Communist armies—about 150,000 men—are being led by General Lin Pi-Ao, Communist Commander-in-Chief.

A thousand Communist troops, heavily outnumbered, were said to be putting up fierce resistance in the triangular region bounded by Changwu, Sinmin and Heishan.

Sinmin is known as the western gateway to Mukden, and is about 30 miles west of Government headquarters in Manchuria.

FRIENDLY APPROACH TO RUSSIA

Turkey's Nation's Party Policy

ANKARA: (IPS): Turkey's third major political party, the Nation's Party which has a great future has outlined its foreign policy. It is headed by Hikamat Dayar and has secured as its honorary president the 73-year-old Field Marshal Fezir Cakmak, former Chief of General Staff and the most honoured man in Turkey. Outlining its foreign policy, Hikamat Dayar says: "The party makes a new friendly approach to Russia. If the Soviet Union withdraws its claim and demands for bases, we would be willing to re-establish the good neighbour policy that lasted nearly 20 years after the formation of the Republican regime in Turkey". The leader said that this development would not weaken the friendly relations between Turkey and the Western powers. Appreciating the American help, he said that America should not rob Turkey of her markets for her products.

WITHDRAW FOREIGN TROOPS FROM GREECE

Soviet Request To U. N.

PARIS, Oct. 28 (Reuter)—Russia today urged the United Nations to order withdrawal of all foreign troops from Greece.

M. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, in a long speech, by turns violent and saracastic told the Political Committee "Greece has been transformed into a colony of the United States but she must be reborn as an Independent State.

"Without the protection of American and British forces, the tottering Greek Government could not stay in power for a single hour, so great is the hatred of the Greek people against it."

He condemned as "garbage" the long report of the United Nations Balkan Committee and said the witnesses it quoted were "completely and utterly untrustworthy."

The Special Commission on the Balkans should be discontinued he said.

M. Vyshincky put forward a four-point proposal to the General Assembly for the solution of the Greek problem.

PLANS FOR COUP

LONDON, (IPS): The Tito Government and the people are worried of activities of a clique working for a coup d'etat, says a Belgrade message. The clique is working from Rumania under the leadership of Jovanovitch, one time friend of Marshal Tito. He is planning to bring once again Yugoslavia to the Cominform fold.

FRANCE IS TORN FROM WITHIN

PARIS, (IPS): France is torn from within—a weak Government, economic trouble and the Communist party obstruction. It is stated that the financial requirements of France upto the end of December 1948 will exceed budget income and loans by at least 50 billion francs. The series of Governments have been unable to reduce the cost of living and check the wage increases.

Red Guerillas Busy In East Java

BATAVIA, Oct. 28 (Reuter): Dutch Army sources today reported renewed fighting between Indonesian Communist guerillas and Republican forces on the jungle-covered slopes of Mount Lawu, south of the former Communist stronghold of Madium, captured by Republicans at the end of the last month.

The Communist leader Muso, and the former Socialist Premier, Dr. Amir Sjarifuddin, were reported to be at a new Communist stronghold between Tegalombo and Ardjosari, 50 miles south of Madium on the main road to the coast.

ROZA SHARIF HANDED OVER TO CUSTODIAN

PATIALA, Oct. 28 (A.P.I.): Roza Sharif, the famous Muslim shrine near Sirhind, was handed over yesterday by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, the States Union Premier, to the Sajjadanshin, the custodian of the shrine who recently returned from Pakistan.

REVOLUTION IN PERU

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 28 (Reuter): A revolution has broken out in southern Peru in support of Gen. Manuel Odria, former Minister of the Interior, according to a radio message from Arequipa picked up in La Paz, Bolivia.

The message said Gen. Odria with five regiments was in control of the city of Arequipa.

ARMOURED TROOPS CLEAR MINES

French Strike Situation

PARIS, Oct. 28, (Reuter): French troops and armed police with tanks and armoured cars today cleared strike-bound coal mines in the Pa/te Calais "black country", an area grouping more mines than any previously tackled in the 25-days-old coal stoppage.

The first seven pits were occupied without any reported serious opposition, to the operation, which French National Coal Board Spokesman had earlier described as "the most difficult of the campaign."

"There is a gradual return to work in the area and pumping has begun in several flooded pits," a cial industry representative said.

"Many of the pits are seriously damaged, especially where pits have given way, and there have been several falls."

The Ministry of the Interior reporter that "almost everywhere, strike pickets disappeared as soon as security forces reached the pits."

A twenty-four-hour general strike began today in the gard department, south France, scene of Tuesday's clash in which a striker was shot dead.

A back-to-work movement has gained momentum in some areas. In the Blanzy Cialfield, Central France 31 per cent of the men were reported back today, against 26 per cent yesterday.

A telegram received by the Ministry of the Interior from port authorities at Toulon said 3,450 dockers (less than one third of the total number there) had decided on a sympathy strike.

Dockers at Bordeaux again refused to unload coal ships, after a general confederation of labour message urging workmen not to handle coal cargoes from abroad.

Many Strikers Arrested

PARIS, Oct. 28 (Reuter).—The 'French miners' strike entered its 25th day today with many arrested, foreign workers facing expulsion and Communist-led miners federation demanding the release of all strikers under arrest as condition of any agreement with the Government.

The Ministry of the Interior, announcing that expulsion proceedings had been taken against 52 foreign workers arrested during coal strike scenes, said these did not "include the large number of foreigners who have been arrested and will come before the courts."

Up to an early hour today there had been reports of any more serious clashes between troops and strikers.

In the political sphere, however, the stoppage entered a new stage when the French National Assembly's Defence Commission voted last night to discuss a motion seeking a Government statement on an allegation that the Cominform was financing the strikes.

Stalin's Faith In "Forces" Of Peace"

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the United States and France, (in his interview to Moscow newspaper 'Pravda') has created a new tension in the United Nations.

Neither the British nor American delegations were prepared to comment on his attacks until they had consulted their governments.

Mr. George Marshall, United States Secretary of State, was understood to have got into immediate touch with Washington, while Sir Alexander Cadogan, principal British delegate, held phone talks with Mr. Ernest Bevin, Foreign Minister, in London.

It was pointed out that it was believed to be the first time that Premier Stalin had directly attacked Western Government leaders as "aggressors" and "warmongers".

Until now, it was recalled, these attacks were levelled only at "certain circles" in Britain, America and France.

World Bank Issues Financial Statement For July-September Quarter

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development announced Tuesday that its loans as of September 30 amounted to 509 million dollars, of which 490,776,505 dollars have been disbursed.

The Bank's financial statement for the first three months of the fiscal year 1948-49 revealed that the Bank's gross income amounted to 6,292,023 dollars. After deducting expenses of 27,67,989 dollars and amounts for the special reserve aggregating 1,206,311 dollars, the net income for the period was 2,317,723 dollars. This, the Bank pointed out, was in contrast to a net loss of 877,686 dollars for the similar period in 1947.

During the quarter, subscribed capital stock increased 50 million dollars as a result of the subscription to 500 shares by Austria, which joined the Bank on August 27. The total subscribed capital of the bank is now 8,336 million dollars.

Of the undisbursed 18,223,495 dollars, Denmark had available an unused balance of 15,012,487 dollars and Luxembourg, 3,211,008 dollars. In addition to the total loan aggregate, the Bank had outstanding commitments of 16 million dollars to Chile, subject to ratification by the Chileaen Government.

The Bank noted that, during the quarter, loans of 12 million dollars were made to four Dutch shipping companies. The loans were in the form of 2½ percent one-to-ten-year serial mortgage notes guaranteed by the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Ten U. S. commercial savings banks purchased 8,100,000 dollars of these notes, which are guaranteed by the Bank. The demaining 3,900,000 dollars were retained in the Bank's portfolio.

With the Dutch loan, the Bank made its first mortage loan and for the first time used its guarantee powers.—USIS.

Syrian 'Ultimatum' To Security Council

Will Reopen Full-Scale War If Immediate Action Is Not Taken

PARIS, Oct. 28. (Reuter): Syria was to-day expected to present the United Nations Security Council with an "ultimatum" on the Palestine question, charging that unless the Council took strong action to enforce the present truce the Arab countries would be forced to reopen full scale war against the Jews.

The Syrian Delegate on the Council, Faris Bey al Khoury, was expected, according to usually reliable sources, to ask whether the Council intended to force the Israel authorities to respect the terms of the truce, which came into effect on July 18.

He will be speaking on behalf of all the Arab countries represented in the United Nations. These countries have become increasingly anxious at the fact that the Israel authorities according to them, appeared to be pursuing their own independent tactics without taking the United Nations into consideration.

Reports that the United Nations might shelve the Palestine question until early next year were followed by That's all there is to say."

a delegation last night by the Syrian Premier, Jamil Mardam Bey, that the Arabs had "lost their trust" in the United Nations and would now depend upon themselves to "maintain their rights".

The Syrian Premier made this statement as Jews in Tel-Aviv claimed to have completely defeated the Egyptians in the Negev, Southern Palestine desert battlefield, and reopened the road to beleaguered Jewish settlements.

Dr. Mohsen Barazi, Syrian Foreign Minister, told Reuter that the Arab would remain on the defensive while waiting to see if the Security Council decided on definite measures to stop "Jewish aggression".

The Palestine question, it was learned in Paris, would be shelved if the General Assembly was adjourned on December 10. This plan is authoritatively reported to be under consideration by United Nations officials.

In claiming their Negev victory, the Jews said they had smashed all the Egyptian frontline aircraft, liquidated most of the frontline troops, and sank the flag-ship 'King Farouk' in seven days of fighting. They now controlled most of the Negev, it was stated.

Arab casualities, not including those caused by bombing, were between 1,500 and 2,000 killed, wounded or captured, it was claimed.

INQUIRY INTO CALCUTTA TELEPHONES' FIRE

CALCUTTA, Oct. 28 (API): The Government of India, it is learnt, have under consideration the setting up of an Enquiry Commission to enquire into the causes of the fire which destroyed the Calcutta and Entally Telephone Exchanges on Tuesday night.

Meanwhile, the Chief Engineer of Telegraphs, Mr. B. R. Batra, accompanied by the Additional Chief Engineer, Mr. H. N. Srivastava, and the Director of Telegdaphs, Mr. S. K. Kanjilal, has flown to Calcutta on receipt of news of the telephone disaster and they are now making preliminary enquiries with regard to the cause of the fire, early restoration of essential services and other questions connected with the incident.

Since yesterday morning, about a hundred men and officers of the Engineering Branch of the Posts and Telegraphs Department are working day and night to salvage the burnt cables and furniture and instal at least one thousand lines within the next few days. A very small number of vital connections were restored last night.

Allegations of low water pressure in the hydrants near the Calcutta Telephone Exchange when it was gutted by fire on Tuesday night are denied by the city Corporation today. The administrative officer says that an examination of the automatic pressure recording chart shows that the pumping station, which supplies water to the hydrants in question was working at full pressure that night. The pressure at a distance of 100 yards from the telephone exchange, would have been about 90 ft., and the pressure of the ground hydrants in Hare Street would have been 50 ft. during the period when the Fire Brigade was working. It is not known, he adds, when the hydrant at a distance of 100 yards was not used by the fire Fire Brigade if the pressure of 50 ft. in Hare Street was found insufficient to reach the scene of occurrence. It is not understood when a canvas reservoir was not put up on the ground level on the road and the collected water pumped by Fire Brigade engines to the room in question.

KHURSHIDLAL ARRIVES

CALCUTTA, Oct. 28 (API): Mr. Khurshidlal, Deputy Minister of Communications, Government of India, arrived in Calcutta today.

Later he visited the scene of Tuesday's fire at the Central Exchange of Calcutta Telephones and held discussions with the officials. He is addressing a press conference tomorrow morning.

Grants To I.N.A. Personnel

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API)—The Government of India have says a press note, decided that lump sum grants should be made to INA personnel who belonged to the Indian Army before joining the INA and were disabled while serving with the INA and dependents of these INA personnel, who belonged to the Indian Army and who were killed while serving with the INA.

Such grants will be made only to those who are now nationals of the Dominions of India or of any State which has acceded to the Indian Dominion and have not migrated to Pakistan.

Claims for the grants should be submitted by the 30th November 1948 to the Adjutant General in India (P.S. 4 4 (a) Army Headquarters, New Delhi.

Syud Hossain To Be Also Minister To Lebanon

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28, (API): Dr. Syud Hossain, Ambassador of India in Egypt, has been concurrently accredited as India's Minister to Lebanon said a Communique here today.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON DECEMBER.
NEW YORK, Oct. 28.

Previous Closing	31.23
Today's Opening	31.25
Difference	+2
Today's Closing	31.13
Difference	—10

LAST QUOTATIONS.
BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

	Rs. As.
Silver Bullion Forward	173 14
Silver Ready	173 12
Gold Ready	113 12
Sovereign	75 2

EXPECTATION:—
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NEW YORK STOCKS.
NEW YORK, Oct. 28.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—
Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 37-5/8.
General Motors dol. 65-3/4.
United States Steel Common dol 84-1/2.
Ditto Preference unquoted.—Reuter.

EXPORTS OF LONG STAPLE COTTON

Indian Cotton Dealers Anticipating Facilities From Pakistan

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 28.

Its learnt that as the Government of India are not prepared to encourage exports of long staple varieties some ready cotton dealers in Bombay and Ahmedabad are shifting their export activities to Karachi anticipating export facilities from Pakistan Government.

It is likely that an agreement for export of Indian textiles may be made with Pakistan soon.

Siam-Japan Trade Pact In Offing

BANGKOK, Oct. 28, (Reuter): Siam and Japan may soon sign a trade agreement, according to Luang Thavil, leader of the Siamese Trade mission, which has just returned from Japan.

Jute Export Advisory Committee

CALCUTTA, Oct. 28, (A. P. I.): The second meeting of the Jute and Jute goods Export Advisory Committee was held here yesterday. In the absence of Mr. N. R. Sarker, the President, Dr. C. C. Desai, Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Commerce, presided. Among other things the Committee discussed the question of export of raw jute and some modification of the scheme of export of jute goods.

Jap Ban On Import Of Cars

TOKYO, Oct. 28, (Reuter): Japan is banning the import of all cars unless they are for use as patterns from which to improve her own models.

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MEGHJI NARSI was convicted for possessing Rice, Jwari and Maize in excess of the possession limit and sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 1,000 or in default to undergo two months' rigorous imprisonment.

KHAJABHAI AMANALSHA and IMAMSAB KARIMSAB were convicted for unlawfully obtaining Bajri. The former was sentenced to one months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50 or in default to undergo further one month's rigorous imprisonment and the latter sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

GAFOOR ABDUL RAHIMAN was convicted for selling tea with whole milk and storing Milk in the Hotel premises and sentenced to two day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 100 or in default to undergo two months' rigorous imprisonment.

HATMUTTULLA ILAYTULLA was convicted for transporting Cotton Cloth and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 200 or in default to undergo two months' rigorous imprisonment.

I. L. O. TEXTILE COMMITTEE IN SESSION

Shortage Of Equipment Holds Up Production, Savs India's Delegate

GENEVA, Oct. 27. (Reuter): When the second session of the International Labour Organisation's Textile Committee met here to-day, Mr. K. Mookerjee, Minister for Labour in West Bengal, said the Government of India intended that the State should play a progressively active role in the development of industries.

"For certain basic industries of importance including Cotton and Woollen Textiles whose location must be government by economic factors of All-India import, or which require considerable investment or a high degree of technical skill, private enterprise will be subject to Central regulation and control", he said.

"The Government of India have decided to investigate how the textile mill industry can be made complementary to, rather than competitive with the handloom industry, which is the country's biggest and best organised cottage industry.

The Labour Minister said shortage of equipment was the principal bottleneck for the textile industry.

"Shortage of machinery for cotton textile mills and uncertainty and delay in their procurement from the United Kingdom, and other countries has been holding up much needed replacements and expansion.

"India can go forward with her plans for expanding the cotton textile industry and replacement of equipment and thereby increase world production, provided the import of equipment can be speeded up.

There is no shortage of man-power in India. But although the man-power situation is quite satisfactory in the textile industry and workers are themselves attracted to it in view of the comparatively better wages, treatment and conditions of work, nevertheless there is a paucity of technical and skilled workers because of the lack of adequate technical institutions.

"What is needed at the present moment is the establishment of an adequate number of technical institutions to give to workers, operative supervisors and technicians adequate facilities for training.

10-DAY CONFERENCE.

"It is deemed essential that employers should also provide adequate facilities for training in the mills and factories by setting apart some of their looms and spinning machines for imparting training to new recruits".

More than 120 delegates are gathered here for a ten-day conference. The representatives of Governments, employers and workers from 19 countries will discuss recent development in the textile industry and plan the improvement of wages and conditions for textile workers.

The Textiles Committee, one of eight bodies established by the I.L.O. to deal with the social problems of the principal world industries, met for the first time in Brussels in 1946.

Countries represented are: Argentina, Australia, Britain, Belgium, Canada, China, Denmark, Egypt, France, India, Italy, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United States.

INDIA AND COMMONWEALTH

BANGALORE, October 28 (API): The hope that the statesmenship of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers and other concerned in the recent conference in London would be equal to evolving a formula which would bring India into the Commonwealth in spite of her decision to be a sovereign democratic republic was expressed by Sir S. P. Rajagopalachari former Vice-President of the Gwalior Executive Council, presiding over a symposium on whether India should remain in the British Commonwealth at the Y.M.C.A. this evening.

Sir S. P. Rajagopalachari said the omission of the word "British" while referring to the Commonwealth in the Communique issued after the Commonwealth Prime Ministers conference represented a very great change and was bound to have profound repercussion on the minds of the people of India.

There had been a feeling in India especially after the attainment of freedom that India with its different races and religions could not have an honoured place in the Commonwealth where most of the other dominions belonged to the same stock. But the recent shifting of emphasis from a common stock and race to common interest in freedom and peace would pave the way for a closer association of India with the Commonwealth. Besides, the Commonwealth did not stand in splendid isolation but was bound by the charter of the United Nations. The objectives of the character to which India subscribed and to which reference had been made by Pandit Nehru in his broadcast before leaving London were the establishment of peace, prevention of conflict and the establishment of human rights all over the world.

India, Sir S. P. Rajagopalachari said, could not achieve the objects of promoting international peace and harmony by working in isolation. Her alignment with the rest of the Commonwealth countries would not work to the detriment of her reations with other countries.

India could not be accused for joining one block or another if she decided to work together in the interest of peace, he added.

B.B.C. CORRESPONDENT RELEASED

Mathews Visits Guerilla Controlled Places

ATHENS, Oct. 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Kenneth Mathews, BBC Balkan's correspondent captured by Greek guerillas 16 days ago, has been set free and arrived in Patras tonight.

Mr. Mathews was released early this morning, it was officially announced. Accompanied by villagers, he arrived tonight at Patras, where he was placed under the protection of Greek police.

During more than a fortnight with the guerillas, Mr. Mathews visited villages of the Proloponnese under their control, including their headquarters on the heights of Mount Parnon.

Pakistan Gets Cloth From Japan

KARACHI, Oct. 27 (API).—About 15 million yards of cotton cloth of different varieties, five million pounds of yarn and a large quantity of vests and towels collectively valued at crores of rupees have been purchased by the Pakistan Government from Japan, it was learned here today.

These purchases, it was stated, have been made through the SCAP Mission by the Pakistan trade delegation which recently visited Tokyo.

AMBALA, Oct. 27. (A.P.I.): The East Punjab Provincial Congress Committee has authorised its President, Giani Gurmukh Singh Musafir, to extend an invitation to the A.I.C.C. to hold its next session in East Punjab.

Travancore Ministers' Portfolios

TRIVANDRUM, Oct. 27 (APD): The new Travancore Cabinet held its first meeting in the Secretariat today for the disposal of urgent business.

It was decided to distribute the portfolios as under:— Prime Minister: Mr. T. K. Narayanan Pillai: Home and Political, Information and Broadcasting, Industry and Commerce.

Mr. A. J. John: Finance, Income-tax, Law Courts and Legislation.

Mr. V. O. Markose: Food, Agriculture, Land, Forests, Survey and Co-operation.

Mr. N. Kunjuraman: Education, Labour, Local self-Government.

Mr. K. R. Elanat: Communications, Publications Works and Electricity.

Dr. C. K. Madhavan Nair: Excise, Prohibition, Medical, Public Health.

The new Ministers are taking up their official residence shortly. The Premier has decided not to stay in the residency. Personal staff of each Minister has been decided upon. The Cabinet meting will be held every day until arrears of work which had accumulated are disposed of and then they will be held no definite days in the week.

FOREST EMPLOYEES STRIKE CALLED OFF

Owing to the intercession of the Labour Commissioner, the satyagrahs of employees of forest — industries limited, Travancore, has been called off.

As the management could not agree to the conditions urged by the employees the union of the concern, the employees had resorted to satyagraha at the gates of the companys office. An amicable settlement of dispute has now been reached and satyagraha has called off.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The Travancore Government have decided to constitute a public service commission as soon as possible. A draft will be prepared for the purpose immediately so that it may be placed before the ensuing sessions of the legislature.

REORGANISATION OF R. I. A. F.

NEW DELHI, Oct. 27, (API): As part of the plan for the reorganisation and expansion of the Royal Indian Air Force, important administrative changes have been effected at Air Headquarters, it is authoritatively learnt.

As a result of these changes, there will be three Air Officers under the Chief of the Air Staff and Commander-in-Chief of the R.I.A.F. These three Air Officers will be in charge of the operations branch, the personnel and organisation branch and the technical and supply services branch respectively.

The operations branch, under the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff will be divided into directorates and will be responsible for training, policy and plans, operations, intellegence and signals.

Establishment and personnel of the R.I.A.F. will be under an Air Officer who will be in charge of the directorates of organisation and establishment, personnel, accounts, medical services and catering.

The newly created technical and supply services will include the directorate of equipment and technical services. This branch will be responsible for the provisioning, maintenance and servicing of the aircraft, mechanical transport and all other requirements of India's air force.

Chief of the Air Staff and Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Indian Air Force, Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhurst, will be assisted by Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, who becomes the deputy chief of the Air Staff and Deputy Air Commander and will also carry out the duties of Air Officers in charge of personnel and organisation provisionally.

A notification announcing the names of the Air Officers in charge of personnel and organisation and the technical and supply services is expected shortly.

L. M. PATIL AT BARAMATI

Explains Prohibition Policy And Replies To Critics

Mr. L. M. Patil, Bombay's Minister for Excise and Reconstruction, replied to all the arguments developed by the critics of the prohibition programme when, on October 25, he paid a visit to the Baramati Labour Welfare Centre conducted by the District Prohibition Committee, Poona. He was given a warm welcome by nearly 8,000 agriculturists and workers who had specially attended the function.

The Minister said it had been suggested that the Government was going to lose an excise revenue of rupees nine crores and that, after all, only 10 per cent to 15 per cent of the population had been addicted to alcoholism. It had also been suggested that the Government should increase the excise duty and utilize the money derived from it towards financing nation-building activities. These arguments by the critics of the prohibition policy were fallacious, the Minister said. Even if the percentage of drink addicts were small, the effects of the evil were disastrous and inflicted suffering on the families of the addicts. The Government would certainly prefer sacrificing the tainted revenue and it was both unjustifiable and cruel to make the addicts—the bulk of whom were persons of small income—"bleed" with increased excise duties.

NOT TOO HIGH A PRICE

The Government was determined, the Minister said, to go ahead with the prohibition programme despite the anti-inflationary measures that had been adopted. The price of rupees nine crores was not a high one if, with complete prohibition the people, got rid of the drink habit with its disastrous effects on health, were enabled to grow in health and physical vigour. The Minister appealed to the audience and, particularly, to women to co-operate with, and help, the Government in making a success of the prohibition programme.

Emphasizing the importance and value of the welfare centres, the Minister reminded the audience that he himself was an agriculturist and understood the value of recreation and relaxation after day's hard work. The centres were therefore established to cater to the needs of the healty entertainment and pleasure of the masses. The Minister expressed himself pleased with the performance given by the Kalapathak for the entertainment of the audience and praised the athletic display given by the youths.

HEALTH EDUCATION

Mayor Opens Ismailia Exhibition

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Before a cosmopolitan gathering at the Diamond Jubilee High School for girls at Imamwada, Sandhurst Road, this evening Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas Mayor of Bombay, performed the opening ceremony of the Health Exhibition arranged by the Young Ismailia Brotherhood with the co-operation of Health Propaganda Section, Bombay Municipality.

A fine entertainment programme was arranged which included physical feats by Prof. T. P. Daruwalla and a 'communal unity dance' by children.

The Ismailia Brotherhood was started in the year 1928 with the object of propagating health education among the members of Khoja community and during its existence the society had arranged three 'baby exhibitions.' The Secretary of the society said that in view of the changed situation in the country they had amended its constitution and the society was now thrown open to the members of other communities and he was pleased to say that many Hindus had taken interest in its work in the recent days.

The exhibition had 7 different stalls one of which furnished detailed information regarding ante-natal and post-natal subjects. The other stalls exhibited child health and guidance, food and nutrition and other health subjects.

The Mayor while declaring open the exhibition stressed the importance of health education among the masses and congratulated the organisers.

Mr. N. A. Mistry, Propaganda Officer of Health Department of the Bombay Municipality also addressed the gathering.

KHER AT BHONSALA MILITARY SCHOOL

NASIK, Oct. 28 (API): Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, said here yesterday that there was great need for preparatory schools to train boys for military career and to create the proper type of youthful material for higher military training establishments.

Mr. Kher, who was presiding over the postponed Dassera celebrations of the Bhonsla Military School, referred to the Government of India's plans to give military training to the youth of India and to the Bombay Government grant of land worth eight to ten lakhs of rupees for the establishment of the National War Memorial Academy at Khadakwasla, near Poona.

Mr. Kher concluded by expressing the hope that Bhonsla Military School would fulfil the need for preparatory schools of that kind, and promised his Government's full support to the institution.

Diwali Fireworks Casualties

CALCUTTA, Oct. 28 (APD): Two boys were killed and three others injured in an explosion in College Square, (Central Calcutta) at about 11 a.m. in this morning.

It is stated that the boys were engaged in making fireworks for the coming Dewali festival, when the explosion occurred.

The injured have been removed to Medical College Hospital.

CITY'S RECEPTION TO MADAME MONTESSORI

Italian Educationist On Need For Right Approach To Child

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Speaking at a reception arranged in her honour Madame Maria Montessori, the world renown Italian educationist said that child could not be understood only through human intelligence, but it required right approach and proper spirit.

The reception was arranged by Bal Shikshan Nagar and 55 other educational, cultural and social institutions at the University Convocation Hall this evening under the presidentship of Mr. Nanabhai Bhatt, Education Minister of the Government of Saurashtra Government.

Welcoming Madame Montessori and the Saurashtra Minister, Lady Taraben Premchand referred to the contributions made by Madame Montessori in the field of child education.

Mr. Nanabhai Bhatt paid warm tribute to Madame Montessori whom he ranked as a saviour of children and said that she was an emancipator of humanity through child education. He related how 30 years ago when the late Gijubhai Badhoka brought to his notice the message of Madame Montessori, they looked to her message as a great hope for humanity.

The Education Minister referred to Mahatma Gandhi in the field of education and remarked that his approach was conditioned by Indian conditions. The approach of the Montessori system was influenced by western conditions, he pointed out and he added that these two methods could be united into a synthetic system for education of chidren in India.

"The soil of India," Mr. Bhatt concluded, "is very congenial for the growth of the Montessori method."

Replying Madame Montesson said that child could not be understood only through human intelligence, but it required right approach and proper spirit of understanding.

She observed "we must realise real value and usefulness of humanity and only through building character of children, we can build new humanity." She added that the future of world laid in the hands of child. Stating that we must have faith in child, she stressed that that all possible means and facilities should be given to child for exapansion of its greatness.

Madame Montessori was presented an address and a silver bust of Gautama Buddha, with a child sitting near his feet and a globe.

Among the prominent institutions which participated in the reception were Bombay Provincial Women's Council, Bhagini Samaj, Gujerati Shtri Mandal, Vanita Vishram, American Women's Club, Young Women's Christian Association, Montessori Association International, Municipal Primary Teachers' Association, Bombay Theosophical Federation, Balkanji Bari, Bengali Mahila Samaj and S.N.D.T. University for Women.

EVACUEES' PROPERTY IN PAKISTAN

Sindhi Refugees Demand Protection

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A resolution protesting against "the failure of the Indian Government to protect property which Indian nationals owned in Pakistan" was passed at a meeting held under the auspices of the Sindhi Association at the Sunderabai Hall, on Thursday evening.

Mr. P. D. Shamdasani presided.

Mr. Parmanand Sugnomal speaking on the occasion stated that property worth hundreds of crores of rupees had been left behind in Sind by non-Muslim refugees. The Indian Government had neglected to do its duty to the refugees by not registering its emphatic protest against the Pakistan (Economic Rehabilitation) Ordinance, 1948, and the Pakistan (Protection of Evacuee Property) Ordinance.

These two ordinances, the speaker said, were of a confiscatory nature and were meant to deprive refugees of what rightly belonged to them. It was essential that the Government of India secure and hold in trust all property belonging to those who have migrated to India. The Pakistan Government should be compelled to render an account of all evacuee property and the income derived therefrom."

The Indian Government should take up the matter immediately, added the speaker, at high level with the Pakistan Government, and enter into an inter-Dominion agreement as has been done in the case of South Africa.

Maharashtra Unification Conference

BELGAUM, Oct. 27 (API): The Maharashtra Ekikaran Samiti (Maharashtra Unification Conference), which met here yesterday, passed a resolution demanding that until the Marathi speaking parts of Belgaum and Karwar Districts were incorporated in Maharashtra those two districts should not be brought under the jurisdiction of the proposed Karnatak University. The conference also opined that till such incorporation Kannad should not be made the exclusive regional language of Belgaum District.

Linguistic Commission In Hubli

HUBLI, October 27 (APD): The Linguistic Provinces Commission, which arrived here today, recorded the evidences of representatives of the Karnataka Provincial Congress Committee, the Karnataka Ekikaran Mahasamiti, Kannada Sahitya Parishad and Vidya Vardhak Sangh and eastern zone groups.

All these representatives, it is learnt, favoured the immediate formation of a separate Karnataka province.

The Commission will record further evidences tomorrow.

BOSTON, Oct. 28 (Reuter): India will spend 10,000,000 dollars before 1953 to expand the plastics industry, Mr. N. Srinivasan, a Government of India Officer, who is accompanying the All-India Plastics Manufacturers' Delegation, said here today.

NAWAB OF BHOPAL IN CAIRO

CAIRO, Oct. 28 (Reuter): The Nawab of Bhopal, who has been on a pilgrimage to Mecca, arrived here today for a four-day visit as guest of the Arab League.

The Nawab, who flew to the airport in his private DAKOTA plane, was met by King Farouk's Chamberlain, and by Sessuky Abaz Pasha, acting Egyptian Foreign Minister, Haj Amin Husseini, Chairman of the Arab Higher Committee, officials of the Arab League and members of the Indian Embassy.

Slightly indisposed after his trip, the Nawab went to rest in the Semiramis Hotel overlooking the Nile.

IRAN'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

American Aid Sought

NEW YORK, Oct. 27 A small group of American engineers and businessmen, members of the Overseas Consultants, will leave for Iran next month at the request of the Iranian Government to assist that country in working out a 650-million-dollar development programme. The group has been employed by the Iranian Government.

The "Christian Science Monitor" in a report said the new programme to be worked out by the Overseas Consultants, Inc., is an over-all plan covering education, public health, agriculture, and improvement of social conditions. It will require seven years to complete.

PATTABHI ON KERALA UNIFICATION

CALICUT, Oct 28 (API): Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, President of the Indian National Congress, in a message to "Mathrubhumi" on unification of Kerala says: "Aiyka Kerala requires no message. It is self-evident that if all the three Kerala political units, which are also contiguous with each other and bound by ties of common culture common law of inheritance, common customs and manners, presenting common life of the land, common contours and common socio-economic organisation, choose to constitute one political entity, no power on earth can resist this consummation, devoutly wished for and worked for. It is only internal apathy or disruption that can retard—even so only retard but not resist—such unity.

Indo-Afghan Trade

NEW DELHI, Oct. 27 (API): The Indian trade delegation to Afghanistan, returned to Delhi after what is described as a "free and satisfactory" exchange of views with officials of the Afghan Government and trade interests there. There was mutual recognition, it was stated here today, of the need to develop trade between the two countries which in recent years has diminished greatly. The Indian delegation, it is understood, has promised to give Afghanistan all the help India could in meeting her requirements which are largely for consumer goods.

MCPS, DGO, DCH And DPB Results

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Bombay held the M.C.P.S., D.G.O., D.C.H. and D.P.B. Examinations in October 1948.

The following candidates have passed the Third M.C.P.S. Examination:—

Bhandarkar, D. G.; Kulkarni, S. K.; Mehta, V. B.; Sujan, K. B.

The following candidates have passed the D.G.O. Examination:—

Bhandare, Mohini Vasudeo (Miss); Doraiswami, Seethalakshmi (Miss); Doshi, Kamla Talakshi (Miss); Kerkar, Mira Shankerrao (Miss); Naik, M. G.; Patel, Lydia (Miss).

The following candidates have passed the D.C.H. Examination:—

Banwat, O. D.; Gandhi, Nirmala Ranchhoddas (Miss); Ghelani, L. L.; Gupta, D.; Hiremath, V. R.; Mehta, P. C.; Nair, Leila (Miss); Puranik, L. D.; Rathi, T. B.; Shah, Gulab Mohanlal (Miss).

Only one candidate appeared at the D.P.B. Examination and he failed to satisfy the Examiners.

LCPS Examination Results

The following students have passed the First L.C.P.S. Examination of the College of Physicians and Surgeons Bombay, held in October, 1948:—

Jagdish, Chandra Singh; Jani, Dalsukhrai Bhimjibhai; Jatana, Kanwar Sukhlal; Joshi, Shreekrishna Hastshankar; Marajan, Ramchandra Champalal; Mulye, Sudhakar Kashinath; Pusalkar, Madhav Ramchandra; Rawal, Ram Swarup; Shaikh Ratim; Sood, Inder Dev; Thomas Philip Thundyil.

The Dhanjibhai Dorabji Glider Prize in Physiology has been awarded to Mr. Jagdish Chandra Singh of the King Edward Hospital Medical School, Indore.

The following students have passed the Second L.C.P.S. Examination held in October, 1948:—

Ambrose Daniel; Bhadbhade, R. / D.; Bhadbhade, S. B.; Bhagwat, Kusum Madhao (Miss); Bhatnagar, A. S.; Bodas, R. V.; Deshchougule, S. M.; Diwan, R. K.; Gopal K. S.; Joshi, S. B.; Kadathathe, V. C.; Karipal, K. A.; Khanapurkar, R. N.; Kurlekar, Leela Shankar (Miss); Luke, R. K.; Mammen, K. O.; Marathe, D. S.; Mathai, S. V. M.; Mehrotra, G. K.; Mehta, S. G.; Menathethil Oommen-Stephen Tharakan; Misra, D. A.; Mookky, D. A.; Musumdar, M. K.; Nanda, M. S.; Nesamoni, L. J.; Oza, S. K.; Reddi, M. S.; Sanghavi, J. D.; Shah, L. U.; Shresthti, B. S.; Shroff N. T.; Sutar, F. S.; Taliparamba, S. R.; Varghese, C. K.; Varghese, J.

The Rt. Rev. Mgr. Dr. Blasius D'Monte Prize in Materia Medica has been awarded to Mr. Nayak Thakaram Shroff of the Medical School, Miraj.

Arrested On Forgery Charge

BOMBAY, Thursday.—A Sindhi youth was produced before the Chief Presidency Magistrate this morning on a charge of having forged the signature of a client of the National Bank of India on a cheque and cashed from the Bank Rs. 4,000.

He was ordered to be released on a bail of Rs. 5,000.

NEW 'RED' MOVEMENT IN REPUBLICAN JAVA

Government Placing No Hindrance, Says Chinese Paper: Move To Resume Talks With Dutch

BATAVIA, Oct. 27 (Reuter): The Chinese newspaper 'Sinpo' reported today that a new Communist movement has been growing in republican Java since the campaign against insurgents led by the Moscow trained leader Muso.

NO HINDRANCE

The paper said the Republican government was not placing any hindrance in the way of the new movement which was led by the veteran Trotskyist, Tan Malakka, and fully supported the action against Muso communists.

Premier Hatta released Tan Malakka from jail only a few days before the Muso communists seized Madiun on September 18. He had been imprisoned for more than two years on suspicion of complicity in the kidnapping of ex-Premier Sutan Sjahrir and the attempt to overthrow president Soekarno in July, 1946.

The newspaper said Tan Malakka's action did not mean he approved the republican government policy. The government was keeping an eye on his actions and on other movements in the republic.

RESHUFFLING OF CABINET DEMANDED

Messages from Jogjakarta, Republican capital, today suggested that the communist-influenced People's Revolutionary Movement and the new Murba Party might join the republican government if Premier Hatta were forced shortly to reshuffle his cabinet.

The policy of Murba has been described as anti-fascist, anti-imuerialist and anti-capitalist.

It was thought possible here that Premier Hatta would face a crisis owing to differences between two principal parties in his coalition government—the Nationalist and Masjumi parties—about conditions for resumption of negotiations with the Dutch.

Breakaway Socialists and the Moslem party Serikat Islam were also thought likely to join any new government.

Dr. L. J. M. Beel, former Dutch Prime Minister, will leave for Batavia as representative of the crown next Sunday if the first Chamber of the States General passes the Emergency Bill for Indonesia, next Friday, it was reported from the Hague.

The Bill, which empowers the government to form an interim federal government immediately, was passed by the Second Chamber early yesterday after an all-night debate.

The Dutch Foreign Minister D. U. Stikker, will leave Holland by air for Indonesia tomorrow.

DUTCH-REPUBLICAN TALKS TO BE RESUMED

LONDON, Oct. 27 (Reuter): The Indonesian Republican Government has set up a Commission to draft amendments to the plan for resumption of Dutch-Republican negotiations proposed by Mr. Merle H. Cochran, American member of the United Nations Good Offices Committee, Hilversum radio reports.

PLEA TO SUMMON REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT

BATAVIA, Oct. 27 (Reuter): Ten Indonesian Republican members of parliament have petitioned the President, Dr. Soekarno, to convene a plenary session of the provisional parliament immediately.

They gave as their reason deterioration in the political situation both at home and abroad, Antara, the Republican News Agency, reported today.

RUSSIA BUILDING UP BIG SUBMARINE FLEET

WASHINGTON, October 28. (U.P.A.): A high-ranking officer said today that the Navy has "every reason to believe" that Russia is building up a submarine fleet "never before equalled in the history of naval forces".

Rear Admiral Charles Momsen, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations for Undersea Warfare, said that in the event of another war America's "most potent challenge" will come from the submarine. He said that for this reason the United States had given anti-submarine warfare the "highest priority in our Navy".

Momsen made the statement in a Navy Day speech prepared for delivery at a civic luncheon in Cleveland. Many top Navy officials spoke at gatherings throughout the country as the service marked its 173rd anniversary.

Though Momsen did not mention Russia by name there was no mistaking his reference. He said, "We have one country whose methods of doing business are inimical to our way of thinking in possession of 300 submarines. We have every reason to believe that they intend to develop a submarine navy never before equalled in the history of naval forces. Can we spare a guess as to what that force is intended to do?"

"Poster Of Year" Competition Winners

PARIS, October 28. (U.P.A.): An Argentine has won the first prize in the United Nations "Poster of the Year" Competition.

The first prize of 1,500 dollars went to Armando Paez Torrez of Arcos.

The posters were intended to portray the spirit of the United Nations. The Torrez design showed the head of a young girl against a blue sky with three toy bricks in the foreground bearing the letters P A X. The United Nations will print the poster and distribute it throughout the world.

The second prize of 1,000 dollars went to France's Jeanne Norbert Bachere of Paris. The third prize of 500 dollars was awarded to Albert Setola of St. Andries Bruges, Belgium.

MANY INSURGENTS KILLED IN BURMA

RANGOON, Oct. 27 (Reuter)—More than a hundred insurgents were killed when Government troops struck hard at a group of over 1,000 insurgents in the Toungoo district, midway between Rangoon and Mandalay a Government communique claimed today. It was described here as one of the biggest battles since the insurrection started.

MADRAS, October 27 (API): The Madras Government published today a bill amending the Madras Commercial Crops Act of 1933 with a view to bringing potatoes and copra under the scope of the act.

WITHDRAWAL OF ALLIED TROOPS FROM BERLIN

Gen. Robertson Supports Russian Proposal

BERLIN, Oct 27 (UPA). Commenting on the Russian proposals that all Allied occupation forces withdraw from Germany, British Commander General Robertson said this might be a solution for the Berlin situation at least.

He emphasized this was simply his personal opinion and any withdrawal of the forces, even from the capital, must be subject to certain specified conditions. He said, "... I feel that a solution of that sort may well be the only means of resolving the differences to which Allied disagreements regarding Germany have led."

TRUMAN RESENTS DEWEY'S ACCUSATION

NEW YORK, Oct. 27 (Reuter).—The Republican Presidential candidate Mr. Thomas E. Dewey today accused the Truman administration of "failing to understand the Communist threat."

At the same time President Truman declared that he had "fought Communism at home and abroad."

Mr. Dewey was making an election speech in Cleveland, Ohio. The President was speaking in Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. Truman, in his election speech, said he resented "the contemptible Republican slur that charges me with being soft where Communism is concerned". "I hate Communism", Mr. Truman added.

FRANCO'S OFFICERS FOR U.S.

MADRID Oct. 28 (UPA) A hundred of General Franco's smartest young officers picked from regiments all over Spain, have been told to prepare to leave for the United States.

All have high Spanish military qualifications and they belong to aristocratic families, speaking English almost perfectly and are "socially accomplished".

It is believed that this constitutes the advance party to America to learn modern tactics, presumably in anticipation of Franco-U. S. agreement.

Meanwhile, the Spanish Air Forces are being developed rapidly. A military Airport is being built near Barajas, the Madrid airport, which is 2,000 feet above sea level and is free of fog. Here, the two longest runways in Europe have just finished. Superforts can take off from them.

NEXT U.S. AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN

LONDON: (IPS): With the American elections fast approaching, London is discussing the question as to who will be the U.S. Ambassador in London if Mr. Dewey, the Republican candidate is elected to the White House. It is said that the choice will fall upon Mr. Winthrof Aldrich, the Chairman of the Chase National Bank. He was twice decorated in London for war aid to Britain.

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BOMBAY Stock Exchange

ACTIVE BUYING AND COVERING IN TATA STEELS

Bombay, Oct. 28

The Bombay Stock Exchange was steady to-day with slightly improved buying in Steel shares otherwise the entire list was neglected with very few transactions. Some traders believe that the market will show some strength in Moorat trading and there is a rumour that some syndicate is under formation to push up Steel shares Temporarily such expectations are likely to have some effect but on the other side in the absence of business some members are thinking of reducing staff. Outside participation is absent and speculative incentive is drying up. Thus there are few chances for any hopeful outlook at present.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened today at Rs. 1480 showing an improvement of Rs. 5 over the last close and hardened at Rs. 1495. Ordinary shares were placed at Rs. 292. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1037-8 and quietened at Rs. 1035.

There was steady buying and Tata Steel Defd. Shares advanced at Rs. 1510 -. While ordinary shares were done at Rs. 293/8. Indian Irons were done at Rs. 24/12 and Bengal Steels were quoted at Rs. 20/10, Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1040/-. Gokaks were quoted at Rs. 296/4 and Central India Shares were done at Rs. 286/4. Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 290/- and Simplex shares were done at Rs. 188 8 while Swadeshi Shares were quoted at Rs. 304/- Central Banks were done at Rs. 89/-. Associated Cements were placed at Rs. 157/8 while Scindia Shares were quoted at Rs. 24/1. Closing tone of the market was very steady.

FORWARD SECTION

Bombay Dyeing (12-8)	1040	0
Kohinoor Mills (612)	292	0
Swadeshi Mills (22)	304	0
Central India Mills (4)	286	0
Simplex Mills	190	8
New Great Eastern (10)	167	8
Gokak Mills (9 plus 3)	296	8
Indore Malwa (12) XR	217	8
Century Spinning (15) XR	267	8
Colaba Land and Mills (12)	167	8
Indian Bleaching (6)	170	0
Swan Mills (20)	345	8
Finlay Mills (15)	289	0
Morarji Goculdas	495	0
Edwards Sassoon (30)	503	12
Meyer	138	12
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	3-1-6	
India United Dfd. 0-2-6)	12-1-6	
India United Ord. 0-2-6)	1	14
Madhusudan Mills (15)	233	12
Podar (8)	161	4
Khatau Makanji (8)	255	0
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	294	8
Tata Steel Dfd (84-14-1)	1511	4
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	142	0
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (5)	156	8
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8)	372	8
Belapur Sugar (12) XR	255	0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	33	8
Scindia Steam (1-4)	24-1-6	
Premier Construction	190	12
Tata Chemical	14	6
Tata Oil (2) XD	56	8
Indian Iron (0-6)	24	9
Bengal Steel (0-8)	20	8
Belapur Coupon	65	0
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Hydro (4-8)	164	0
Andhra Valley (45) XI	1532	8
Tata Power (50) XD	1636	4

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS		
Elphinstone Mills (5)	73	0
Phoenix Mills (50)	481	4
Indian Manufacturing	4350	0
Kaoria Mills (5) XR	141	4
Dawn Mills (40)	1000	0
David Mills (6)	191	4
New City Mills (10)	185	0
Minerva Mills (12)	165	0
Bradbury Mills (12) XD	675	0
Sharucha Defd. (6-4)	5	8
Bharat Mills (2) XD	36	12
Mysore Spg Mills	192	8
Madhavji Dharamaji (0-12)	15	4
Model Mills (12-8)	220	0
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	645	0
Vishnu Cotton (6) X D	257	8
Western India (40)	3950	0
Standard Mills (15)	255	0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3900	0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (6-8)	12	0
Hindustan Mills (40)	6185	0
Tata Mills (3)	67	0
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	296	4
Ahmedabad Advance New	195	0
Sassoon Silk (3)	91	0
New Union Mills (0-8)	14	4
Madhusudan B (2-8)	47	0
Shrinivas Mills	178	12
Raja Bahadur Promo (4)	100	0
Berar Mills	275	0
Victoria Mills	225	0
Colaba Land Coupon	42	0
New Great New	142	0
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Ahmedabad Electric (2-8) XD	117	8
Ahmedabad New	13	5
Surat Electricity (2-8) XD	151	4
Surat New XD	142	8
Karachi Electric Supply (2) XD	135	0
Broach (0-5)	10	12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10	12
Amalgamated (0-12)	13	6
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	28	8
Poona Electric Supply	151	4
Bombay Suburban (3)	152	8
Bombay Suburban New	131	4
BANK SHARES		
Reserve Bank (2-12)	114	0
Imperial Bank of Indi (35)	1862	8
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1861	4
Central Bank Old (1-8) X D	88	0
Centr- Bank New	89	0
Bank of India (4)	197	0
Union Bank of India	9	6
Bank of Baroda (2-8) XD	156	8
Hamr Bank (4)	150	8
Devaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	52	0
United Commercial (1-8)	66	4
Hindustan Commercial	28	8
Jamir Bank (1-6)	43	0
Mysore Bank (8)	268	0
Exchange Bank	87	8
Eastern Bank	199	0
INSURANCE		
Oriental (125)	4700	0
Empire (10)	678	0
New India (1-4)	64	0
Jupiter	25	0
Vulcan (0-10) XD	13	0
Indian Mercantile (2)	41	0
Universal (0-4)	11	4
B I G (1) X D	22	0
Industrial and Prudential	29	6
Neptune Assurance	7	0
New Great	25	0
All India General	19	2
RAILWAY SHARES		
Central Provinces (1-4)	109	0
Mymensingh Guaranteed (1-4)	103	12
Pachora Jamner Rly (2 8)	118	0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES		
Alcock Ashdown (15)	345	0
Bombay Steamer (28)	586	4
Bombay Burma New (5)	133	12
Burma Petrol	1	9 9
Mackenzie (6)	90	0
Port Canning (6)	72	0
Kemp and Co. (New)	462	8
Kemp and Co. (30)	465	0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150	0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	97	0
Western India Match (7-5)	301	4
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	34	8
Mukund Iron	10	0
Dena Trust (0-12)	21	0
Alembic Chemical (15) XR	206	8
Supreme India	123	12
Jam Wire (6)	67	8
Bombay Uganda	69	1
Bombay Motor Cycle	42	0
Indian Cement	25	0
Walchand Nagar Industries	180	10
United Motor	74	0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	97	4
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	1002	8
Hydary Construction	19	4
Mahmadi Steam	95	0
Gujarat Motor	25	2
Sardar Carbonic	750	0
Harvey Press	310	0
Estrela Batteries	51	0
Prince of Wales Press	610	0
Manmad Press	120	0
PREFERENCE SHARES		
Tata Steel 1st (6)	192	8
Andhra Vally (7)	1263	12
Tata Power (7-8)	1357	8
Hydro Electric (7) X D.	128	12
Bombay Steamer (6)	313	12
Central India (5)	660	0
Swadeshi Mills	148	4
Vishnu Mills (7)	666	4
Lakshmi Mills	277	8
New Great Mills (5-8)	222	8
Podar Mills (4)	105	0
Shrinivas Mills	98	0
Elphinstone Mills (2)	111	14
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	379	6
Surat Electricity (2-4)	140	0
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	121	4
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	120	0
Amalgamated (5-8)	123	2
Habib	72	0
Tata Chemical (5)	133	12
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	160	0
Jupiter General	19	14
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	121	0
Mackenzie 1st	85	0
Mackenzie 2nd	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	132	8
Mysore Mills	50	0
Standard Mills	101	
Madhusudan Mills	12	0
Khatau Mills	107	0
Morarji	105	0
DEBENTURES		
Andhra 1952 (4)	103	8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	107	0
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	106	0
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112	
OUTSIDE SHARES		
Indian Copper (2-7) X D	2	5 6
British India Corp. (0-10)	7	14
Burma Corporation	3	0 6
New Victoria Mill	2	5
New Victoria Pref.	5	1
Phalton Sugar (8)	130	0
Gold Mohur (20)	320	0
New Kaiser-i-Hind	460	0
Sajjan Mills (3)	235	
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	290	0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	390	0
Air Service	9	12
Ambica Air Lines	13	0
Air India XD	135	0
Hind Motor	6	2 6
India Steam	10	6

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Oct. 28

2 1/4 per cent 1954	98	14
2 1/4 per cent 1950	100	14
2 1/2 per cent 1955	100	0
2 1 2 per cent 1961	97	8
2 3 4 per cent 1960	100	1
2 3/4 per cent 1962	100	2
2 3/4 per cent 1978	92	14
3 per cent Non-Terminable	99	12
3 per cent 1966 Con.	99	12
3 per cent 1949-52	100	14
3 per cent 1951-54	102	5
3 per cent 1953-55	102	10
3 per cent 1957	104	5
3 per cent 1959-61	101	12
3 per cent 1963-65	101	0
3 per cent 1966-68	100	2
3 per cent 1970-75	100	2
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	100	8
4 per cent 1948-53	100	4
4 per cent 1960-70	110	12
4 1 2 per cent 1950-55	104	8
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112	2
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	115	12
PROVINCIAL LOANS		
2 3/4 per cent U. P. 1961	98	4
2 3 4 per cent Madras 1961	98	4
3 per cent Punjab 1946	98	14
3 per cent Bombay 1955	101	10
3 per cent Bombay 1958	101	12
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	6
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100	6
3 per cent C. P. 1952	100	6
3 per cent N. W. F. 1952	99	10
3 per cent U. P. 1961-66	100	2
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D.	111	0
5 per cent Bom. Muni 1959	115	0
6 per cent Bom. Muni. 1954	116	0
3 1 4 per cent Municipality 1977	101	14
6 K. P. T.	114	0

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

The Bullion market was fairly steady to-day with professional support and scattered short covering.

At the opening forward silver was quoted at Rs. 174 and improved at Rs. 174/4 on moderate support. Spot silver was quoted at a premium of annas eight at Rs. 174/12.

Forward gold opened at Rs 113/8 and improved at Rs. 113/10 on scattered buying in sympathy with steadiness of silver. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 114/4 and sovereigns were placed at Rs. 75/8.

The market finally closed as under:

Ready Silver	174	0	0
Forward Silver	173	14	0
Ready Gold	114	1	0
Forward Gold	113	7	0
Sovereigns	75	14	0

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, Oct. 27.

I. C. C. Feb. Highest 598-3/4 Lowest 597-3/4 Closing 598

I. C. C. May Highest 589 Lowest 588-1 4 Closing 588-1/2

I.C.C. July Highest 593-1/2 Lowest 592-3 4 Closing 593

I.C.C. Sept Highest 594 Lowest 593-1/4 Closing 593-1/2

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

B. C. Rates T. H. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 months.

London Banks Selling T.T. D. D 1/6 31.32 Ready.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1.32 to 9th month.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/s 1/6 1/8 to 4th month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/s 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/s 1/6 3 16 7th and 9th month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/s 1/6 5/32 4th month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/s 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/s 1/6 7 32 7th and 9th month.

New York Montreal B. C. Rates T. T. Rs. 332-1 4.

Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs 332-1/4.

Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 330.

Banks Buying D. D. N. Y. Rs. 328-3/4 Montreal Rs. 328-1/2.

Banks Buying D. D. N. Y. Rs. 329 Montreal Rs. 328-3 4 L/C.

Paris Bank Selling T. T. Fcs. 7860.

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 8060.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79.

Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 1305.

Java Banks Selling T T D D Gldg 79

Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84.

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 157.

Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 165-1/4.

CROSS RATE:—New York/London dol. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Afghani Rs. 52.57 53.43; London//Alexandria Pia. 97 1 4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Fl. 10.67-70, London/Bangkok Tcl. 40; London/Belgium Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4; London/Denmark Kr. 19-32-36; London/Hongkong 1-3 1/16; London/Iran Rl. 128/130; London Java Fl. 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Rs. 99-80-100-20; London/Manila Pes. 8.09-8.14; London/Montreal dol. 4.02-3/44-4.03-1/4; London/New York dol. 4.02-3/4-4.03-1/4; London Oslo Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Fcs. 1061-1063, London/Prague K 201-202; London/Singapore 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London/Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Fcs. 17.34—36; London/Syria 880.5.

DISCOUNT RATES:—London Discts. 3 Mos. 9/16 p.c., London Discts. 6 Mos. 5 8 p.c. Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money Call 1.2 p.c. 3 Mos. 3/4 p c 6 Mos 1 p c 12 Mos 1-1/2 p.c.

Tone:—Easy.

Indian Stock Exchange

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

Tata Ordinary 294/8; Tata Deferred 1511 4; Indian Iron 24/9; Steel Corpn. or Bengal 20 8; Bombay Dyeing 1040; Central India 286 4; Gokak 296/14; Kohinoor 292/8; Simplex 190/8; Swadeshi 304/6; Tata Power 1636/4; Associated Cement 156/8; Belapur 255; Bombay Burma (Old) 372/8; Scindia 24/1/6; Central Bank 88; New India 64; Tata 2nd Pref. 142.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

"Moorat Transactions" on the Exchange will take place on Sunday, the 31st October between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

The local cotton market was quiet to-day under scattered long liquidation based on the belief that Pakistan Cotton Mill be available for the use of our mills.

The market was expected to open at Rs. 598 for February delivery but the market opened quiet at Rs. 597/4 and declined at Rs. 596/8 on moderate liquidation. Tone of the market was quietly steady.

The market declined at Rs. 596|- for February option but thereafter rallied at Rs. 597|4 on short covering.

The market declined at Rs. 595-8 and finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:

I.C.C. February	596	0	0
I.C.C. May	587	4	0
I.C.C. July	591	8	0
I.C.C. Sept.	591	8	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton February Contract is 819 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331

PRODUCE MARKET

Bombay, Oct. 28

The Produce market was very steady to-day on active buying by professional operators. There is increased speculative activity and bonafide business is having unfavourable effect.

Castorseds May delivery after touching Rs. 134-4 advanced at Rs. 135-8 on active buying and short covering. Later on the market declined at Rs. 133-12.

Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS:—			
Khandesh quality	34	12	0
Coromandal	33	8	0
Bold ready	34	0	0
Bold Dcember-January	31	5	0
CASTORSEEDS:—			
Ready	29	0	0
May delivery	133	12	0
LINSEEDS:—			
Ready	26	5	0
Nov.-Dec. delivery	26	4	0
February-March	26	3	0
GROUNDNUT OILS.—			
Ready Mills	20	4	0
October	19	10	0
November	18	8	0
December	18	0	0
January	17	15	0
Linseed Oil	16	8	0
Castorseed Oil first pressing	19	0	0
Castorseed Oil Commercial quality	17	8	0
Gingelly seed	220	to	225

Trade Buying And Short Covering In N.Y. Cotton

WALL STREET COMPOSITE AVERAGE SHOWS SMALL LOSS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.

COTTON.—After early indecision, prices rallied on trade buying which easily absorbed limited hedges. The ever present loan support influences with reported large scale entries creating fears of eventual tightening of the supply situation aided sentiment. The bull group also stressed the possibility of more liberal economic cooperation administration cotton authorisations during the next thirty days. After an extension of the early gains on light but persistent mill buying and covering in nearby December, prices sagged modestly before the close under a light hedge pressure. The session closed steady. Sales are estimated at 150,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Oct. 27

December	31.23	+09
December Highest	31.29	+15
December Lowest	31.12	+—02
March	31.23	+10
May	30.96	+11
July	29.75	+14
Oct.	29.55	+10
Middling Spot	31.80	+06

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December	31.18	+11
March	31.19	+09
May	30.93	+05
July	29.72	+13
Middling Spot	30.85	+10

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Oct. 27..

KARNAK Jan	65.80—98
Mar	65.25—190
ASHMOUNI Dec	46.48—88
Feb	46.65—90

WALL STREET MARKET

The market suffered its first important setback since the pre-election advance began, as profit-taking and other selling gained the upper hand in reflection of the disappointing "big steel" earnings and failure to declare an extra dividend, technical considerations, the Berlin uncertainties and the French labour situation. Losses of fractions to two dollars prevailed in moderate activity with steels, motors, oils, chemicals, rubbers, rails leading. Operators in rails noted the carrier's statement that the third round wage and hour demands of 16 non-operating brotherhoods are threatening the solvency of the United States railroads system. The averages were Industrials 188.96 and rails 61.62. The pressure subsided and a cautious bidding developed against a back ground of mostly satisfactory dividend news and third-quarter earnings. While some laggards persisted, notably among steels, numerous other issues managed to reduce or erase initial losses. Changes either way covered fractions to one dollar with declines still in the majority however. Sears Roobuck neared the 1948 high level on large fractional advance to 41-3/4 after the declaration of an extra raising of the quarterly dividend. The composite average rate finished with a small loss. The session closed barely steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Grains advanced under the leadership of soyabeans which rose sharply on buying by export interests against sales of moderate quantities to France overnight with that country reported to be inquiring for additional supplies. Wheat aided by reports that the production and marketing administration may enter the export flour market early next week as well as further sales of cashwheat to the CCC. Maize reflected commercial buying, presumably against sales of cash maize to the Government agency.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Oct. 27.

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American Telephone and Telegraph	152-3/4
Amerex Holding Co.	25-1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	37-3/4
Chase National Bank	36-3/4
Sinclair Oil	25-3/4
Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co	49-5/8
General Electric Co.	42-1/4
General Motors	65-1/2
Ingersol Rand	70
International Nickel	32-5/8
National City Bank of New York	39-3/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	16-3/4
Socony Vacuum Coporation	19-3/4
Texas Corporation	60
Union Carbide New Stock	42-1/2
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	43-1/2
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	64-1/8
Western Union Telegraph	19-1/4

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.

U. S. price of foreign Silver 77-1/2 cents

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Consols 2-1/2%	£ 78-13/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2% 1961	£ 105-1/2
War Loan 3-1/2% 1952 and after	£ 103
Funding Loan 4% 1960/90	£ 113-1/4
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Lon Reg	£ 113-1/2
National Bank of India	£ 35-1/4

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 6.618.

London exchanges unchanged.

CHICAGO WHEAT

December	2.29-1/8
May	2.21-1/8
July	2.04-3/4
September	2.02-1/4 bid

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

MILLS

Apollo 3-1-3 3-1-6
B. Dyeing 1035 36-4 31-4 40
C. India 285 84 86
Century 267-8
Colaba 167 8
Elphinstone Ord. 74-8 73
Finlay 288 87 89
Gokak 295 96-8
I. U. Defd. 1-13-6 1-14
I. U Ord. 12-0-6 12-1-6
Indore 215 17-8
Kohinoor 290 90-8 8s 89-8 88 91 90 92
Khatau 255
Laxmi 645
Madhavji 15/4
Meyer 138-12
Model 220
Morarji 495
New City 185
New Great 167-8
Podar 161-4
Shrinivas 180 78-12
Simplex 187 89 88-8 90-8
Svadeshi 303 4 3-8 5 4
Tata Mills 67
Vishnu 260 57-8

BANKS

Baroda 156-8
Central 88-8 88 88-4 87-12 88
Imperial Old 1850 40 61-4
Imperial New 458-12 57-8 60
India 198 97
Reserve 113-12 14
Union 9-6
U Commercial 66 66-4.

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 116 2 17 8
Andhra Valley 1263,12 (Ex. Div.)
Suburban 152,8
Surat 152'8
Hydro 162 63 60 63
Hydro Pref 128|12
Power 1635 37|8 35 40 36|4
Power Pref 1357|8 (Ex. Div)

INSURANCE

New India 62|12 64|8 64
Oriental 4700
Vulcan 13

STEAMER

New B. Steam 585 87|8 86'4
Scindia 24, 23|15 24'1 24 24|1|6

STEEL

B. Steel 20'6 20|8
I. Iron 24'6 24,10 24|9
Tata Defd. 1481|4 80 85 83,12 1512|8 8 12 11|4
Tata Ord. 291|8 92|12 91'8 94|8
Tata IInd Pref. 142|4 42

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 342 8 40|10 45
A.C.C. Old 157 56 56|8
A.C.C. New 97 97|4
Belapur 253 53'4 55
B.B. Old 370 62|12 72|8
B.B. New 133|12
B.B. Petrol 1|10 1|9|9 1|10 1|9|9
I. Bleaching 170
I.I. Trust 97
Port Canning 73 72
P. Const. 190 87|8 91 90'8 90|12
Shivrajpur 33|8
Tata Chem. 14|7 14'5 14|6
Tata Chem Oil 56'4 56|8
Wimco 301'4

SPECIAL

Belapur Coupon 66 65
Standard Mills 255
Ahmedabad Elec. New 13,8 13|8

Stocks Of Cloth In Ahmedabad Mills

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

Mr. Ramanlal Lallubhai, President of the Ahmedabad Millowners' Association, in a statement to the press says: "A certain amount of misunderstanding seems to have been created as a result of the statement I made in Ahmedabad on 22nd October about the quantity of cloth that have accumulated with the mills in Ahmedabad. With a view to clear the misunderstanding, I may state that the total quantity of cloth held by the mills in Ahmedabad on the 15th of October was about 180,000 bales but it was composed of cloth both in packed and loose condition. Now that the Textile Commissioner has permitted permit holders to purchase October texmarked goods also, I hope that the stocks with the mills will be liquidated very soon."

Ready Cotton Quotations

Anjar	550
Kalogin Old	560
Kalogin New	580
Benga;	400 to 25
Bengal New	400
Western	647
Vijay	745
Sawgin	700

Italian Art Silk Yarn

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

150 D. Oct.	3	2	6
150 D. Nov.	3	3	0
150 D. Ready	3	2	6
120 D. Ready	3	0	0
22/22 YELLOW SILK.			
October	27	4	0
November	26	10	0
Ready	27	6	0

Pepper Prices

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

Magsar	202 to 204
Maha	196 to 198

HOLIDAY IN AMERICAN MARKETS

Argentine and Brazilian markets will be closed on next Monday, November first (All Saints Day). On Tuesday, November second, all the principal American markets will be closed for the Presidential Elections.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Oct. 27.

Silver: Spot	47 d.
Forward	47 d.
Gold: Bars fine per oz.	£8/12/3

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, October 28.

M. V. CILICIA

From Glasgow: 210 cases printing paper, 123 cases scotch whisky, 45 cases whisky, 46 bags steel rose nails 115 cases cut steel nails, 40 bags nails 90 pieces elevatories, 140 drums tannic acid, 38 drums aluminium sheets, 135 ctns sewing cotton threads and reels 50 cases gum, 187 ctns sewing cotton thread on cops and cones, 745 pieces steel tubes, 206 bags steel rose head nails, 300 cases ale, 3,473 cases sewing machines, 329 bags cut steel nails, 80 cases iron top nails, 160 pieces mild steel dished roller plates.

From Liverpool: 30 cases old cotton mill spindles, 40 bags manox sodium hydrosulphide, 95 cases inks, 100 bags rose nails, 95 rolls wire wash, 195 ctns rayon yarn, 28 cases electric motors 224 bags vitreous enamel fat, 50 cases gripe mixture 1961 bags soda ash, 200 coils steel wire, 95 cases colour, 46 cases washing blue, 50 cases aloes, 26 cases pedal cycles, 38 bales woollen piecegoods, 40 bags oil combed wool tops, 119 drums sodium sulphide, 40 bales oil combed wool tops, 28 cases cigarettes, 2,000 bags bicarbonate of soda, 2,916 cases nitrate of ammonia, 80 cases power looms, 42 cases cycle spindles, 3428 bdls biding hoops, 13 cases printing paper, 30 cases window glass, 630 ctns. hydrosulphite of soda 180 ctns radio receivers, 587 pieces white E.W. closets and basins, 200 dms formosel lamps 50 drums copper carbonate, 255 cases pedal cycles, 116 drums transformer oil 49 cases wool separators, 29 casks alizarine 190 ctns indigo grasses, 513 drums dry aniline dyes, 76 cases galvanized rooting screws, 80 drums catalyst materials.

S. S. AMRA

From Beira: 6,400 bags asbestos, 8,645 ingot bars electrolytic copper.

From Mombasa: 129 bags gums, 27 bags Colombo roots, 11,000 bags cloves, 100 bags pencil slate, 100 bags standard slates, 300 bags chillies, 336 oags gum

S. S. FLYING ARROW

From Philadelphia: 252 cases synthetic rasin cylinders, 59 carboys hydrogen peroxide, 110 drums caustic soda, 52 cases synthetic rasin tubes.

From New York: 840 bag soda ash, 1,050 drums white petroleum mineral oil, 72 ctns books, 4,023 drums lubricating oil, 1,202 bags caustic soda, 333 drums caustic soda flakes, 220 crates contact sulphuric acid plant and proof bricks.

S. S. ISMAILIA

From Abadan: 8,173 drums bitumen

S. S. STAR OF EL-NIL

From Alexandria: 7,680 bales cotton.

From Port Said: 240 boxes shelled almonds, 100 boxes kari almonds, 200 bags grainy unshelled almonds, 100 bags shelled prime kari almonds, 200 bags sweet unshelled almonds catue.

From Port Sudan: 2,000 bags gum arabic kordafan.

From Aden: 53 drums old empty drums, 39 bundles goat and sheepskins reject.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT:

S. S. JALAKALA

To Karachi: 25 bales cotton piece goods—E. V. G. Alireza.

S. S. VIRGINIA MAY

To Karachi: 40 cases dry colour—A. S. A. H. Vakil.

S. S. IRRAWADI

To Karachi: 62 bags manufactured drug—A. S. Rahimtullah & Sons 25 bags fenel seed, 50 bags and 25 boras puppy shell—H. Essak.

S. S. HOUGH SILVER SPRAY

To Penang: 10 bags fenngreek seeds and 10 bags fenel seed—Indo-Overseas Export Co. 101 bags corriander seeds—P. Bhujangilal.

To Vancouver: 50 bales cotton waste—The Bombay Textile Waste Co.

S. S. TREVAINON

To Port Sweltanham: 25 bags corriander seeds, 10 bags fenngreek seed, 10 bags fenel seeds and 15 bags cumin seeds—Indo-Overseas Export Co.

S. S. SALVORE

To Venice: 220 bales raw cotton—Volkart Bros.

S. S. KUERNAAS

To Gothemburg: 8 bales cotton waste—M. Narottamdas & Co.

To Antwerp: 25 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson & Sons.

To Rotterdam: 250 bales cotton waste—The Mercantile Bank of India Ltd.

To Coppenhagen: 58 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson & Sons.

S. S. EUCADIA

To Liverpool: 100 bales cotton waste—C. Jairam & Co. 370 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson & Sons. 200 bales cotton waste—V. A. Bave, 100 bales cotton waste—Chunilal & Co.

BY AIR

To Karachi: 8 parcels art silk piecegoods—M. A. Tambi. 35 parcels art silk piecegoods—A. A. Shakoor.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS.

MOUNT HELIKON from Karachi with general cargo on October 28. (Agents S. S. N.).

HEATHER from Singapore in ballast on Oct. 27.

IRRAWADDY from Karachi with 1,100 tons of salt. (Agents S. S. N.).

DEPARTURES.

DWARKA for Basrah with 1,731 tons general cargo on Oct. 27.

SCOTT-E-LAND for New York with 10,000 tons general cargo on Oct. 28.

UMARIA for Hull with general cargo on Oct. 28.

DUE TO ARRIVE.

S.S. JALAKENDRA from U. S. A. 28-10 48 Captain A. Keir.

S.S. SEA PRINCE from U. S. A. on 31-10-48 Captain C. E. Elliot.

DUE TO SAIL.

S.S. JALAKETU to sail for Port Said, Oran and U. S. A. on 27-11-48 Capt. J. B. Hunter.

T.S.S. JAL-AZAD for Karachi 29-10-48 Captain E. R. Memery.

Calcutta Shares Rule Quiet With Ltd. Business

CALCUTTA, Oct. 28.

The market continued its quieter tone round all sections and the volume of business was only limited. Following are today's final transactions up to 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Government Paper 99/14 S. Lot; Three per cent Loan 1986 99/13; Three per cent Loan 1959/61 101/8.

BANKS: Bengal Central Bank 9/14; Reserve Bank 112/8.

COALS: Burrakur 19/8; Dhemo Main 13/8; Equitable 37/6 CT; Samla Colliery 6/7.

JUTES: Delta (Pref.) 117; Fort Gloster (New Pref.) 114; Howrah 28/12; Naihati (2nd Pref.) 103 Union 221 Ex. Rights.

MININGS: Indian Copper 2/8

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ROUND UP OF MONSOON SESSION

Bombay Legislature's Six-Week Record Of Good Work

ACCENT ON RURAL WELFARE, BUT OTHER SECTIONS NOT NEGLECTED

(By R. P. Acharya—Our Staff Reporter)

ON the last day of the monsoon session of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, an honourable member who appeared to have lost his temper, complained that the public of the province were shocked and bewildered by the "preposterous number" of bills passed by the Assembly in rapid succession—words which he withdrew subsequently and changed into "the huge number."

Though his phraseology was regarded by the Speaker as offensive and though the context at the particular moment did not warrant the outburst, it must be admitted that the Government of Bombay went about their legislative business at an astounding pace. During the forty-three days, from September 10 to October 22, a whole series of bills were piloted through the two chambers of the legislature. Some of them were minor amending bills which hardly took a couple of minutes to get through and some others evoked a good deal of controversy, like the bill which aims at creating a class of peasant-proprietors as well as the one which bans the indiscriminate slaughter of cattle.

PEASANTS FIRST

A careful study of the work put in by the Assembly, during the last six weeks, discloses a real and honest wish to do something in order to relieve the acute misery and want of our peasantry, on the part of Government. There may or may not be some justification in the view that the Government are not over-concerned about city dwellers, but it would be grossly unfair to say that they are unmindful or unconcerned about rural areas.

The most important bill passed by the House in this connection is the bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to agricultural tenancies in the province of Bombay. By virtue of this enactment, Government have definitely sown the seeds of an agrarian revolution in the province. The bill contains latent possibilities of peasant-proprietorships, co-operative farming and mechanised agriculture.

This bill must be taken in conjunction with another whose objective is the reclamation of lakhs of acres of Khar lands. These are lands abutting on the sea, which have become fallow due to the crurush of salt water, on account of breaches in bunds and embankments. Government have gone about this business in a co-operative way—the landlords contributing a share of repairing the bunds, Government contributing a like share and the tenants who are also the beneficiaries under the scheme, contributing twenty per cent of the cost either in cash or in labour. This scheme is expected to augment provincial food production by about one lakh tons per year.

ACCENT ON SELF-HELP

In both these schemes Government have wisely decided that the beneficiaries must do their bit, for it is important that people must learn to help themselves. The principle is psychologically sound, for Government can never hope to raise the standard of living in rural areas unless people develop self-reliance and apply their own shoulders to the wheel. The lethargy and apathy of centuries can be shaken off, only by developing one's own latent powers of resistance and endurance.

These measures, as can be seen, do some direct good to those for whose benefit, they are framed. But there are other aspects, not so direct which also aim at the same consummation. The Assembly has passed two other measures whose sole purpose is the preservation and amelioration of the cattle wealth of the province. These bills were necessary as quite often all the wealth of a farmer in the province is the live stock at his disposal. To a farmer, the loss of a bullock might very well mean the total stoppage of all work—it might even mean the loss of his entire earthly possessions and the prospect of unmitigated penury for the future.

Realising this, Government have now taken powers to impose compulsory testing and treatment of these animals and to restrict their movements. Animal diseases, like Rinderpest especially, can blast whole herds of cattle. During the past Government could not even compel owners to have the animals vaccinated or otherwise treated when they suffered from one or the other of the many diseases common to the animals. One infected animal could lay waste a whole herd or devastate a whole countryside when roaming about in search of fodder. Government can now effectively check this.

PRESERVING CATTLE-WEALTH

Allied to this measure is the one which bans the indiscriminate slaughter of useful cattle. The high price of milk in urban and even in rural areas, its poor quality and the need annually to import into the province, thousands of bullocks and bulls, are sufficient indications that Bombay is in none too happy a position in this matter. It was seriously feared that the way animals were being put to the knife, there would be nothing like sufficient stock in the future to meet, even in part, the demand for milk or for animals to labour in the fields. The present bill totally bans the slaughter of all cattle which can be used for milch, breeding or draught or agricultural purposes. Government, however, have made a concession to the religious susceptibilities of a section in the province, by allowing the slaughter of even "useful" animals for bona fide religious purposes, under a veterinary certificate that the animal so required is fifteen years of age and over.

AND FOREST WEALTH

The bill to preserve the cattle wealth of the province has its complementary in the Bill to amend the Indian Forests Act in its applicability to the Province of Bombay, for this bill aims at preservation of the forest wealth of the Province. Owing to lack of control by Government, privately owned forests and wastelands throughout the province, have been progressively denuded and rendered valueless. Many of these forests and wastelands had been completely destroyed by overfelling and excessive grazing. This type of denudation and destruction was endangering supplies of timber, firewood and fodder, causing erosion, adversely affecting water supplies and exposing lands to the action of floods. Government, therefore, thought that control over the destructive process was essential in public interest. The bill empowers Government to exercise strict control over private forests.

Some other bills introduced in the Assembly show that, despite the overwhelmingly problems of the rural areas they are not totally unmindful of the well-being of other sections of the populace.

PURPOSEFUL EDUCATION

The Matriculation was regarded as some sort of shambles, by many persons. The importance attached to the examination was out of all proportion to its utility. This the Government has sought to remedy by a bill for the formation of a Secondary School Certificate Examination Board in the province. The Board will take over the present matriculation examination from the hands of the University. One of the major defects in the present system of secondary education in the province has been the unduly dominating influence, exercised by the university matriculation examination both with regard to curriculum and objective. Under this system, a student after seven or eight years of secondary education, was not eligible to a certificate showing his utilizable skill, even if he failed in a single subject. It was also Government's duty to see that subjects of study and courses of instruction in high schools were really best calculated to promote the educational interests of new generations of students. The assumption of control by a Board is not only in the best interest of secondary education, but also ensures generally the expansion of technical, industrial and vocational training.

RELIEF TO SHOP WORKERS

The lives of lakhs of persons working in shops, commercial establishments, hotels, clubs, restaurants and theatres in the province will be improved by the bill to consolidate the law relating to shops and establishments in the province. The amending bill makes the old Act applicable to all local areas of more than 25,000 population; it gives a substantial reduction in the normal working hours of all establishments except commercial establishments; it provides for compulsory weekly closure of shops and commercial establishments, debars the working of women before six in the morning or after seven in the evening and grants fourteen days' leave with pay with freedom to accumulate for three weeks. Dismissal without notice, except for proved bad conduct is also prohibited.

SPEEDING UP HOUSING

An autonomous body will be created by the bill for the formation of a Housing Board which will inherit all the assets of the present Housing Department, and which is expected to go into action in all cities soon. Government is convinced that private enterprise is hardly likely to come forward today to build houses. House building is no longer in the category of profitable undertakings. So, Government have wisely decided to take the initiative and do the needful. The Board is endowed with extensive powers, even to the point of issuing debentures and raising Government-guaranteed loans. The project may take some time, out in the absence of private enterprise coming to the fore it will at least partly solve the distressing problem.

SOCIAL WELFARE

In the field of social legislation, the Bombay Children's Bill, 1948, and the Bill to prohibit excommunication are noteable. In the first, certain improvements on the old Act are incorporated. They are, that juvenile offenders may not be tried except in juvenile courts and there should be no joint trials of adults and children. The Bill restricts the appearance of lawyers before juvenile courts and imposes stringent penalties against the exploitation of children for begging or for crimes. It also provides that convictions in a juvenile court are no bar to the future of a child.

The Bill banning the custom of excommunication, which has been circularised for eliciting public opinion is also an important measure of social reform. It takes into consideration the mental distress and physical harassment, which characterise excummunication and penalises the offenders. A maximum fine of Rs. 1,000 is provided.

The monsoon session may have been breath-takingly fast, but who can cavil at the speed when there is so much economic and social distress in the province, crying for speedy solution. If properly enforced, the enactments will do much public good to which the Government is pledged.

MADRAS, Oct. 28 (API): The possibility of most of the smaller States merging into the Indian Union in the near future was envisaged by Mr. P. Govinda Menon, Minister for Finance, Government of Cochin, in an interview to the Associated Press of India today.

Food Minister At Ganga Khadir Colony

Mounted on an elephant India's Food and Agricultural Minister, Shri Jairamdas Daulatram, inspected tractor operations in Ganga Khadir Colony in U.P.

'MAKE JEWS & ARABS RETURN TO PRE-TRUCE LINES IN NEGEV'

Britain And China Call For U. N. "Action Short Of Force:" Resolution Invokes Article 41 Of Charter

PARIS, Oct. 28 (Reuter): Britain and China today, called for "action sort of force" to make Jews and Arabs return to their pre-truce lines in the Negev, battle-ground of south Palestine.

ARTICLE 41 INVOKED

The resolution invoked article 41 of of the United Nations Charter which lays down measures to be employed to give effect to Security Council decisions, which may include interruption of economic relations and communications and the severance of diplomatic relations.

The resolution also said the acting mediator should fix a time limit for both Jews and Arabs to withdraw to their positions before the breakdown of the truce.

NEGEV FIGHTING

(The position in the Negev fighting today was that the Egyptians appeared to be concentrated at Majdal, where they were completely cut off and were in a hopeless position militarily, a Jewish military spokesman said.)

(An Arab village which appealed to the Jews for protection was reported to be without food or water, and it would thus appear that Egyptian troops faced similar shortages.

The Jewish settlement of Nizanim, a few miles north of Majdal, which was captured by the Egyptians during the early hostilities, has been reoccupied by Israeli forces, the spokesman added.

On the central Palestine front, Iraqi troops contiued their artillery attacks on the Ras El Rid area and also began a new attack at Ein Shemer, about six miles east of Hadera, the spokesman said.

The Iraqis thus appeared to be commencing a general push along the Hadera—Afule road, which acts as their northern boundary, as well as attempting to disrupt Jewish communication east of Tel Aviv).

Dr. Ralph Bunche, acting mediator told the Security Council he heard that the Palestine truce could not last much longer. He wanted the Council "clearly and forcefully" to call on the belligerents to negotiate for peace or at least for an armistice.

Israel told the Council that she was prepared to start negotiations for peace and wanted the truce transformed into a more permanent settlement.

Britain and China proposed a committee of the "Big Five" with Belgium and Colombia to report urgently on far-reaching measures, should the armies in the Negev refuse to withdraw.

Russia criticised the resolution as "premature at this stage" and asked the Council to postpone voting on it.

Eventually, the Council adjourned till tomorrow.

Mr. Aubrey S. Eban, Israeli representative, vigorously condemned the Anglo-Chinese resolution but declared that Israel was prepared to start negotiations for a peace settlement.

Riad Es Solh, Lebanon, sitting as an observer said he was in general agreement with the Anglo-Chinese resolution.

Faris Bei El Khoury, Syria, rejected in detail allegations made by Mr. Eban of Arab violations of truce conditions and countered with charges of Jewish violations.

Canada, Belgium and France supported the resolution, which, in the course of intricate discussion, was slightly modified.

Application of sanctions was made dependant, not in the "refusal" of eigther party to withdraw, as in the original, but on "failure" to withdraw.

Mr. Jacob Malik, Russia, said all possibilities under the Security Council's resolution of October 19 had not been exhausted since the two parties had not proceeded to negotiations as prescribed in it.

He thought the acting mediator should continue along those lines before the Council adopted any "hasty decision".

Mr. Eban said he would have a full statement to make on the resolution if given time to study it more fully.

KHER EXPLAINS INCREASE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL FEES

Only Way To Balance Budget To Give Free And Compulsory Primary Education

NASIK, Oct. 27 (API): A large part of the credit for the success of the women's movement in India was due to Mahatma Gandhi, said Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, inaugurating the twenty-second session of the Maharashtra Women's Conference here yesterday.

Mr. Kher compared the women's movement in India with that in England and said it was largely due to the efforts of Mahatma Gandhi that Indian women had won their rights easily, in contrast to their sisters in the West, who had to undergo untold hardships for the purpose.

Mr. Kher warned the women of Maharashtra against those who preached class conflict, and said that way was foreign to Mahatma Gandhi's principles.

INCREASE OF FEES

Continuing, Mr. Kher replied to the critics of the recent increase in tuition fees in Secondary Schools in the Province. He said it was done in the interest of primary education which the Government were determined to make free and compulsory for all. That would cost the Government about six crores of rupees, and they had to meet it from the eight crores of rupees budgeted by them for education.

If the Secondary Schools fees were not increased, Mr Kher added, the Government would have to spend a large part of the budgeted amount on secondary education, and to that extent primary education would suffer. Obviously, Government could not allow that to happen, for that would mean denial of even simple primary education to the children of poor peasants, workers and backward tribes.

SECONDARY TEACHERS' CAMP AT GOVT. HOUSE

MAHABALESHWAR, Oct. 27 (API): Seventy-five teachers from Secondary Schools from Bombay City and Suburbs are gathered here for the first holiday Camp of Secondary School Teachers, which has been organised to provide opportunities to them for recreation and social contacts and discussion of educational problems. The camp is part of the wider scheme which Government have in vitw for improving the efficiency, status and amenities of the teachers and was the first of its kind to be held in the Province.

The camp which has been organised by the Headmasters' Association of Bombay and Bombay Suburbs is being held at the Government House quarters placed at the disposal of the teachers by the Government. The Government have also contributed Rs. 500 towards its expenses.

The Premier, Mr. B. G. Kher, in a message expressed the hope that the camp which was the first of its kind in the Province would provide opportunities to the teachers to develop a spirit of fellowship and blaze a trail for similar camps in future.

POLICE PHOTOGRAPHER AND BIRLA'S ARCHITECT GIVE EVIDENCE

Further Hearing In Mahatma Murder Trial

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28 (API)—Mr. Charles Anthony Pinto, Inspector of Police (C.I.D.), Bombay, was further examined in the Special Court today when hearing was resumed of the trial of Nathuram Godse and seven others on charges of murder and conspiracy arising out of the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi.

Mr. Pinto said that Apte and Karkare were brought to Delhi on no other occasion except on February 29. Nathuram Godse was brought to Delhi on April 5. Witness had accompanied him to Delhi. Nathuram Godse stayed in Delhi till April 8. He was not brought to Delhi from Bombay on any other occasion.

On February 29 Apte and Karkare were first taken to Delhi Railway station. L. Kishanchand, a Delhi Magistrate, who accompanied them, made a note with regard to the places visited by them. The party entered the platform through the luggage and parcel entrance and came out by the same entrance.

Cross-examined by Mr. Oak, Counsel for Nathuram Godse, Mr. Pinto said that he had given receipt to the Tughlak Road Police in respect of the pocket diary which he had taken from them. Witness did not initial the diary. In consequence of a statement made to witness by Nathuram Godse both of them went to various localities in Delhi.

Mr. Oak: Were you in search of a photographer? The Court disallowed the question and asked Mr. Oak and Mr. Daphtary to file their objections in writing.

Cross-examined by Mr. Mengle, Counsel for Apte, witness said that the Ishwardas Vallabhdas Restaurant was on the main platform of Delhi Railway station.

Q. Is it a big or a small restaurant?

A. It is a small restaurant.

Q. Is it open to the public?

A. I could not say whether it is open to the members of public, but it is definitely open to passengers and members of the Railway staff.

Cross-examined by Mr. Dange, counsel for Karkare, Mr. Pinto said that he did not maintain an independent diary in regard to the investigation made by him. He first came to know of the name of Karkare on January 29 when witness was transferred to work under Mr. Nagarvala. He went to Ahmednagar only once to locate Om Prakash. He did not go to Ahmednagar otherwise in connection with the investigation of the case. He did not go to the Visapur Refugee Camp. When he went to Ahmednagar he made no inquiries in regard to Karkare.

INTERROGATION OF BHOPATKAR

Q. Is it a fact that you were present when Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar was interogated at his residence?

A. I interrogated Mr. Bhopatkar at the Poona Cantonment Police Station on April 12, 1948. Khan Sahib Umar Khan was also present.

The accused in the case, Mr. Pinto added, were confronted with each other in his presence to find out the truth in regard to the conspiracy.

Witness could not say where the Madras Hotel in Cannaught Place, New Delhi, was and also whether it was a residential hotel, because he had gone only to the refreshment room.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bannerjee, counsel for Madanlal, Mr. Pinto stated that he did not examine Moreshwar Parajpye of Vile Parle, a suburb of Bombay.

Cross-examined by Mr. Inamdar, counsel for Gopal Godse, Mr. Pinto said that during the investigation of the case he himself did not see the three applications of Gopal Godse. He had been to Uksan once to arrest Gopal Godse.

AT KIRKEE ARSENAL FACTORY

Q. Did you make any inquiry at the Kirkee Arsenal Factory.

A. I inquired at the Arsenal Factory to find out if Gopal Godse was on duty there at the time.

Q. Did you meet anybody?

A. I made inquiries from the clerk in the office.

Q. Did you ask him whether he knew where Gopal Godse was?

Ans: No.

Q. Did you at that time interrogate any persons from the Arsenal factory?

Ans: No.

From the Kirkee Arsenal Factory, Mr. Pinto continued, he went to the Kirkee Police Station and then to the residence of Gopal Godse at Kirkee to make sure that he was not here. He did not interrogate Gopal Godse's parents but he had interrogated Dattatraya Godse, brother of Gopal Godse, in the Yerwada Jail.

Witness said he did not interrogate Baboorao Dhamankar of Uksan nor did he make any inquiry to find out if Gopal Godse had stayed at Uksan between January 17 and 25.

Witness went to Uksan in a police wagon with Mr. Raje and a sub-inspector of Kamptee. Witness told Gopal Godse, after interrogating him, that he was arresting him. Then they came back to the Kamptee police station. He made no entry at the Kamptee police station that Gopal Godse was under arrest as the sub-inspector of Kamptee was with him.

Mr. Pinto did not make a search of Gopal Godse at the Kamptee police station, but he had searched him when he was arrested to find out whether he had illegal weapons in his possession.

Mr. Pinto had been to the house of Mr. G. M. Joshi at Thana. Mr. Joshi was never detained at the new CID Building, Bombay. Witness knew one G. V. Kale of Poona. He had been taken to Bombay and placed in the new CID Building. The orders for his detention were passed in Bombay under the Bombay Public Security Measures Act. He had been taken into custody in connection with the investigation of the Gandhi Murder Case. No other detenu had been kept at the new CID Building.

Mr. Inamdar: Is it a fact that you took Gopal Godse from Uksan on the pretext that you would give him protection?

Mr. Pinto: No. That is not a fact.

Replying to another question, Mr. Pinto said that one Jagdish Goel of Gwalior had been kept at the new CID Building in Bombay. Witness had not been deputed to trace one Ved Prakash.

POLICE PHOTOGRAPHER'S EVIDENCE

Mr. B. R. Raje, Chief Police photographer, Bombay the next witness, said that at the end of March, 1948, he took photographs of certain documents under the instructions of Mr. Gajjar, Chief Handwriting Expert. Only Mr. Gajjar was present when witness took the photographs. Witness took six enlargements from each negative.

Mr. Raje produced a number of enlargements which were exhibited in the court.

Mr. Raje said that he had been to Birla House and had taken some photos. Sub-Inspector Haldipur was with him.

The photographic enlargements were exhibited in court.

Cross-examined by Mr. Mengle, counsel for Narayan Apte, Mr. Raje said that Exhibit D|117 (photo of Nathuram Godse) looked like a photo taken by a street photographer.

Re-examined by Mr. C. K. Daphtary, Chief Prosecution Counsel, Mr. Raje stated that that photo must have been taken two or three years ago.

Re-cross-examined by Mr. Mengle, counsel for Apte, witness said that he had not been a street photographer but he had done that kind of work sometime ago.

Re-cross-examined by Mr. Dange, counsel for Karkare, Mr. Raje said that he had had occasions to give the age of photographs.

Replying to a question by the court Mr. Raje said that he had been working as a photographer for the last twenty years.

BIRLA'S ARCHITECT

Mr. Gulab Chand Sharma, an architect of Delhi, said that he had been practising as an architect in the firm of Messrs. G. C. Sharma and Sons for the last fifteen years. Since March, 1947, he had been working as an architect of Mr. G. D. Birla. Good many alterations, modifications, improvements etc. had taken place in Birla House since March 1947, under his supervision. He had been visiting the Birla House twice a month and some time more. There was a pavilion facing the Birla House. The back wall of the pavilion was common between the pavilion and the servants' quarters. There were three trellis works in the back wall of the pavilion. Witness had seen the servants' quarters several times. He saw them last time today. There had been no change in the size of the openings or the trellis works or on the back wall of the pavilion since March, 1947. Witness identified a photograph of the trellis works.

Cross-examined by Mr. Dange, counsel for Apte, witness said that he had not seen any photograph of the trellis works prior to January 1948. After the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi the members of the public were not allowed to enter the Birla House for some time. A guard had been posted there. There was a proposal in December last for constructing a swimming tank in front of the pavilion. He had then the occasion to examine the trellis works several times. Witness had not prepared the design of the trellis works. He also had not taken the measurement of the trellis works. He had been asked to appear as a witness in this case only yesterday.

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Cross-examined by Mr. Mengle, counsel for Narayan Apte, witness said that the local addresses of the clerk working under him were kept in a register but owing to the abnormal time those addresses were not relied upon.

Further hearing of the case was adjourned till tomorrow.

MUTT AND JEFF—So What! Did You Ever See A Dream Walking? By BUD FISHER

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